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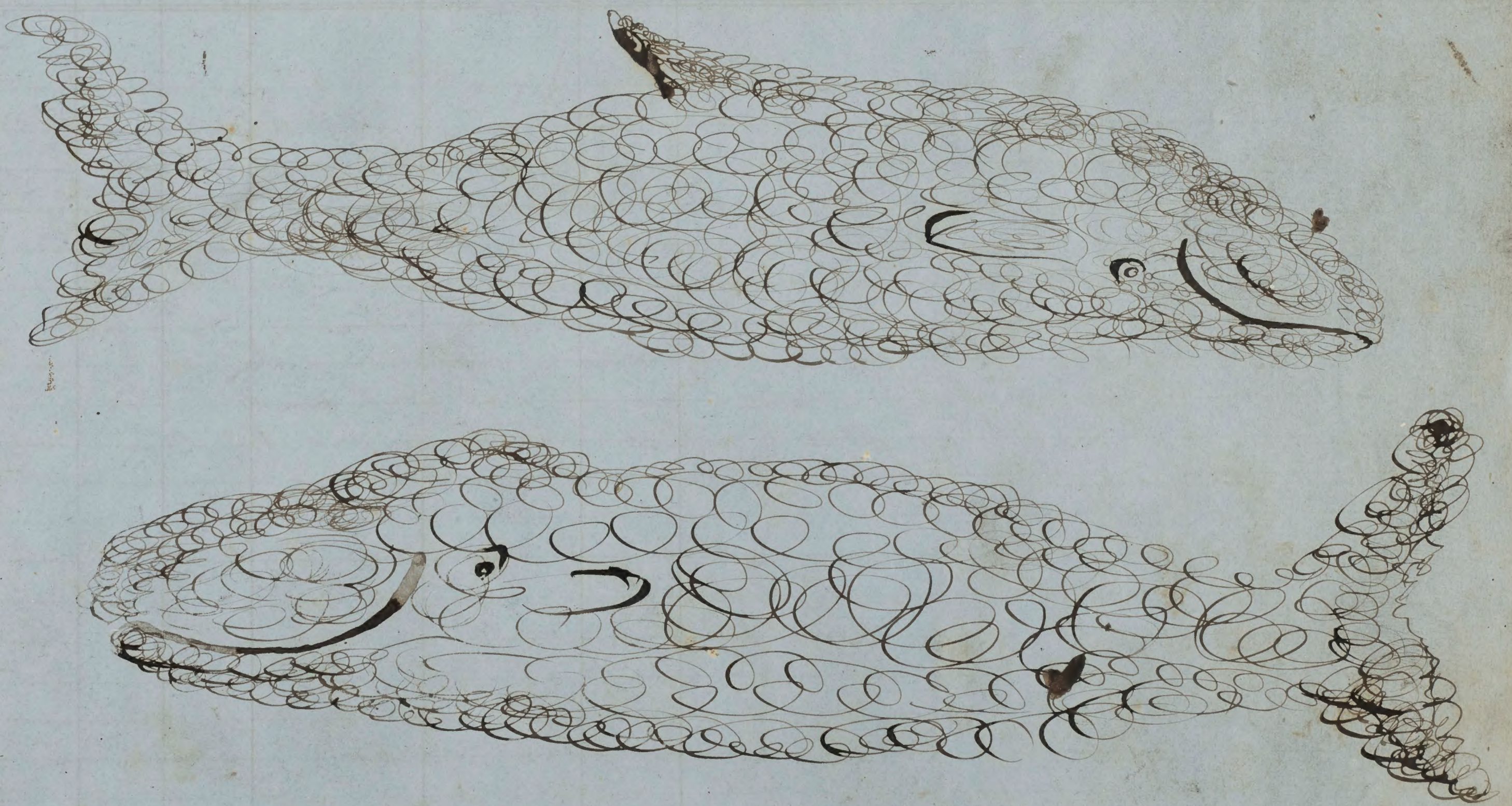
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~ Ambrose M. Bates &
Journal
Of a whaling cruise in the ship

Euphrates

Which sailed from Lahaina April 13th 1860
Commanded by Capt William Heath

The Euphrates is a ship of three hundred and sixty five tons burton and carries four boats at present. She is manned by thirty four men all told. Four boat headers myself included. The capt some times lowers his boat and if I should be able to whale there will be another boat hoisted out. We have four boat steers, cooper, carpenter and blacksmith. Also cook and steward and the rest are foremast hands. A good ship and well manned and although the season is well advanced for a ship to leave the sandwich Islands still there is great hopes entertained that we shall return next fall with a good share of what we are going to cruise in a cold climate to obtain.



April

Ship Euphrates

Friday April 13th 1860

This day Commenced our cruise 12 o'clock took ^{anchor} our ^{and} went out of Lahaina harbour with the wind strong from N.E. The latter part of the day light winds from off Molokai

Saturday 14th Commences with light winds day light Oahu in sight 6 miles distant 12 o'clock leaving off anchor heaver 4 o'clock P.M. the capt went on shore at Honolulu

Sunday 15th Light baffling winds ship laying off and on Honolulu harbour in company with several other ships

Monday 16th Ship leaving off Honolulu Weather good 9 o'clock A.M. sent two boats on shore for potatoes

Tuesday 17th Begins with very strong trade winds Sent in one boat for two men which were shipped here

Wednesday 18th Fine weather wind N.E. one boat on shore

Thursday 19th Strong winds with squalls I went on shore to day and came off very much disappointed in not receiving any news from home 4 P.M. Capt came off and squared the gears and bid Honolulu good by

Friday 20th This day begins with fine weather Ship heading down past Kure

Saturday 21st This day begins with fine weather Ship heading in for the Island of Lihou eight o'clock went in shore for the purpose of trading with the natives. Our stock of trade consisted of cheap prints or few calico shirts and some cotton pantaloons which was to be invested in live stock and vegetables I went on shore as interpreter and trader and after bartering until near sunset we returned to the ship with fifty bags about the same number of fowls and a large quantity of fruit Lihou is one of the Sandwich group being the westernmost Island inhabited by natives only

Sunday 22nd Fine weather wind from the eastward Ship heading west to South all hands employed in various ways some mending some mending their cloaths and some laying back

Monday 23rd Light trade winds ship steering E by S with all sail set O how much pleasanter it seems to be once more upon the water than to be dragging out an unsocial life in a hot sultry climate In defiance of all my endeavours fate seems to lead me on in the same old business but soon I hope the path I am destined to travel will turn aside from this solitary life and lead me back to that long loved place Home sweet Home

April On her passage to the Ochotsk sea

Tuesday April 24th 1860

Commenced with fine weather All hands employed in fitting the ship for cold weather Cooper setting up shoes I hope he will have a plenty of such work to do before we return to the Solomons

Wednesday 25th Strong winds from the eastward Ship steering W by S and the more I see in this world the less I wish to see I have been in quite a number of ships. And in every one I find different rules and different characters. There is no place in the world where a persons real nature is so prominent as when confined to the narrow space of a vessel at sea. For instance I have been intimately acquainted with different individuals on land and thought them very nice good disposition persons. But in after time when we became connected to the same vessel I found them right the reverse. Disagreeable, petulant unprincipled persons. Whether enjoin themselves or us it seemed wisest and best to have one moments of peace

Thursday 26th Still the wind continues fair ship going off about nine knots. So that I painted a boat in case I should need one when I get in cold weather. Which I think I shall surely for I am gaining my health and getting strong and begin to feel like myself again. The greatest blessing in the world is to have good health and strength. A fortune to a poor man

Latt by obs 21.50 d

Long by chron 176 50 W

Friday 27th The trades very strong and well to the eastward

Ship steering west half south with standing sails aloft and aloft. Commenced making me a boat sail I am bound to have my craft ready any way

Saturday 28th The same thing right over and over ever so long as our course is west making up longitude which keeps us in the trade winds. Which blow the year round from the northward and eastward. There are most general found between eight and twenty eight north. Whilst on the same latitude south it is the same with the exception of the course of the wind which is from the southward and eastward. But it is most time for us to haul to the northward then we shall soon lose the trade winds in exchange for cold weather and variable winds. Latt 21.36

Sunday 29th Going with very strong winds from the N and E. The old Enphrates going off with all sail set with as much as she can stand under. Last evening crossed the meridian of Greenwich. And whilst the crew are all sail to keep up with time which is rather encreasing upon our season. We were loath to see Sunday slip like a shadow before us. As we crossed the meridian. But those of us that live to recross it again will find an extra day. But in honor to the Enphrates I will say we shall keep Monday as a memento of the lost Sabbath. Latt 21.50 N
Long 178 10 E

May

Ship Euphrates. A. B.

Tuesday May 17th 1860. This day strong breezes with squalls of rain Ship steering N W Soon clear of these warm latitudes

Wednesday the 2nd There is a heavy squall with rain. Several o'clock P.M. struck by a heavy squall and carried away the fore head and split the main top gallant sail. All hands on deck to clear away the wreck and repair damages

Thursday the 4th Squally weather ship steering N W lost haulnet. The watch employed in getting the ship in order. Carpenter and cooper fishing on old fore gear and the sailors repairing the sails. Four o'clock P.M. every thing all set fore head aloft, topgail sheeted home fore set and the old ship bound on her course

Friday the 4th Still blowing half gale of wind from N E ship steering N W. muddery about the reef top sails and courses. This afternoon shipped a heavy sea and pitched me head long over the board hatch and fetch me up in a pile in the lee scuppers. But as luck would have it I did not break any bones though I am severely bruised

Lat by obs 27.56 N

Long by chron 167.16 E

Saturday the 5th This morning rather more moderate ship steering N W. North with a main top gallant breeze. Every thing progressing in social unity which makes the time pass off very pleasant. But still home is ever coming up fresh before my imagination which makes me feel loneliness

Sunday the 6th Another sabbath has arrived and with it brings fine weather. Although we are in haste to get upon whaling grounds it is pleasant to have a light breeze and a smooth sea on a quiet sabbath. But it will soon be too cold to enjoy the pastime of reading on deck. We shall have plenty of sport before long among the bowheads. Where there is not much attention paid to smoking

Monday the 7th Light variable winds ship heading to the northward and westward. Saw two finback whales. They seemed very much pleased with the north of the ship. Moving through waters. It appeared to be sport for them to play around sometimes in our wake and sometimes ahead and then along side. Finally they left us after exchanging three or four musket balls shot into them

About Passage to the Schotsk sea

Tuesday 8th

The weather continues very fine Ship moving through the water very slow The watch employed in getting the centine gear ready for use My own important one that is one in number if no more, am fitting me a boat I hope I shall be able to use it to advantage The heeling is used up What there is left are as wild as a deer and I expect the price of oil will go down as coal oil and rock oil comes up This I think will be my last cruise

Wednesday the 9th

This day begins with strong winds from the S. E. Ship steering S. W. with all sail out Okepuh pilepin kept aloft in a few bloki pilepin but it is of no account only caused a disagreeable sensation

Thursday the 10th

Very fine weather Wind N. W. Ship close hauled with all sail There is a great fear of going here caused the boat-sail fear If a man once gets it there is no getting over it unless he has a new sail I have built a very nice sail for the Oneco on a center board boat My sail is 18 ft on the luff 20 ft on the leach 4 1/2 cloths on the head and 9 cloths on the foot With a 20 ft mast. I have a stir worked in the middle of my sail and the imitation of a top-sail in the middle In all I call her a splended boat Her name is Oneco

Friday the 11th

This morning the wind is S. E. Ship heading S. W. by N with all sail out It is getting rather airy puts a fellow in mind of looking up his blankets But I think cold weather is very healthy As for me I am tired and sick of warm weather This afternoon blowind strong from S. E. Ship under double reef top sails and fore sail

Sett by obs 40.17 N

Long by chron 160.08 E

Saturday the 12th

The weather still continues very good for this latitude Ship steering N. W. by N. 5 Your o'clock P. M. called all hands to set up the fore and main top mast and top galient back stays. Larboard patch to the fore and starboard to the main All turned on with a good will and before dark had ever thing taught and the old ship bound on her cours

Sunday the 13th

Begins with a strong wind from S. E. Ship heading on the Larboard tack with main top galient and flying jib This afternoon wind hauled to N. W. took in light sails and let her slide The weather is very cold indeed but still times passes very agreeable I am at a mysterious question which I have put to myself but I cannot answer it to my satisfaction and that is Why is it that I am contented here in these cold reasons far away from home and those I love I am shure I love home as well as any one But I am there I have a longing for something I know not what though my mind seems to settle upon this part of the world And wheather it is for the many years I have cruised here or wheather this business is suited to my nature I cannot tell But shure it is here mind is the most easy and time seems to slip away unheeded Although I often think of home and those dear ones and one course the time which elaps before I again shall greet them

May

Euphrates of New Bedford

Monday the 14th Cold shivering weather Ship heading

N by S close hauled Wind ahead All hands
buddled up to the ears But it must be endured
because it is all for that great end Cold the im-
magnous price of happiness

Tuesday the 15th

Begins with light N by W wind Ship on the
leeboard tack This afternoon strong breeze from
the westward Ship steering N. N. W.

Wednesday the 16th

Commences with light winds Ship heading in, to
make the land Some where among the Maritima Islands
As the Maritima Islands is a chain of barren Islands exte-
nding from Japan to the southernmost part of Kamtschatka
From Lat 47 deg 10 mi to 50 deg 28. And Long from 153 deg 6 m.
east to 156. 10 m. running a N. W. and S. E. coars Sun set back
ed ship and stood off shore with the main top sail
to the mast Weather thick

Thursday the 17th

Begins with dense fog Ship laying aback
supposed to be heading off shore But the
weather cleared away to enable us to get an ob-
servation which declares us to be in the Ochotik
sea I suppose we ran through in the night
of the 15th I could give the reason for such navi-
gation but I will not disgrace these pages

Lat by obs 49. 10

Long by chron 154. 11

Friday the 18th

This day commences with the S E and thick fog
Ship steering to the westward Two o'clock in the
afternoon raised land ahead close aboard Where
we was no one knew kept the Ship off and ran
down along the land Which was very near
it being thick weather As for my own part
I should rather been a little further off shore
However the ship was kept running until night
closed in without ascertaining where the ship had got
to But when she was hauled in shore to sight the
land in a dark night I cured in my own mind
that courage which is only displayed after frequen-
ting the bottle too often. So it was, the ship was hauled
in shore and stood in until I for one began
to think it would be luck if we got off again
However she did get off but when she came around
it was close work So double reefed the top sails
hauled the heads aback and stood off shore
It is very strange that a man that has good sense
and a good share of personal pride will let
his appetite get the upper hand and make a feast
of himself When not only thirty or forty thousand
dollars in his charge. But his own life and
thirty to forty others which if wrecked on this
shore would, if left alive, be in rather
delicate position in these ice bound
regions

Nov

Chotsk ~ Sea

Saturday the 19th Begins with clear weather Ship
leaving aback Land in sight on both sides
came to the conclusion that the ship was in the
fifty passage and the Island that we first
made was the Island of Boromusehir which lays in Lat
47° 30' North 50° East 156. And the Island on the other
side was Charamukaitin 10 o'clock AM the wind came
round NW Braced up and commenced beating through
the after noon dense fog But still the old box was kept
humming which would not been very dangerous if conducted
with sober sens But it is not so away she goes without
judgment or reason Stretching across those Straits seeming
as if trying to get upon the rocks About 8 o'clock in the
evening whilst the Capt was lounging or dozing in his chair
there a cry from deck of Land the Capt and Mate rushed
on deck and as if providence so ordered it, and brought her around
in time to clear the rocks. She may reach the Islands
again and if she carries me safely back I will take fine
care how I am deceived again

Sunday the 20th This day fine weather Ship steering NNE The watch
employed in getting out boats The old tub is afloat but
with five boats on the crains I am going to try to head one
of them The man with the good head says The chron was out
of the way but I think those eyes saw double I never
wish to run in no form whatever hereafter

Lat of obs 50. 40. N

Monday the 21st

Long of chron 154. 17. E

The weather beautiful ship steering N.N.W.
All hands rising for whaling Saw some sprouts
but could not make them out

Tuesday the 22nd Commences with a gale from the westward
Ship on the Harbourd track And double reef topsails
and fore sail This is very tedious weather uncomfortable
cold with the old ship pitching and tumbling about The
only pleasure is to be found when rolled in the blankets
When sometimes dreams of adversity will flit across my
brain to disturb those hours when all care is supposed
to be banished On this afternoon I saw the cherished
one of my heart turn from me with cold neglect
Sweet dreams of home and the cherished ones and all
the comforts of those happy days which have passed
All all are placed before me in recapitulation in
their brightest colours But sometimes the scenes
is changed and those we love turn away with scorn
saying they do not wish to see me Such dreams
bring clouds of discouragement to hide those bright
scenes of the future This world is all de-
lusion chasing symptoms which are teaching
us the great fall of death And that ends
our happiness in this world which has only
been delusion The glory of this world is vanity
Friendship alone has a claim to bliss Home
sweet home that thou a place for me

Aug

Ship Euphrates of N F

Wednesday the 23rd Dence fog Ship heading west by North lost hauler The watch repairing the maintop galleant sail Ever little bit of wind raises the old pick with the old sails and rigging Which keeps the sailors crowline. it is cold work for the fingers But jingo it is too cold to write I must get inside of the blankets

Thursday the 24th As usual thick fog with light winds from the northward The watch employed in rigging boats All boat is all ready for action I lowered her down last night to see how she worked and found her perfect to a charm It is hard telling how this season will come out but I have little faith as regards our success in taking whales In the first place the season is well advanced And the second it needs a persevering spirit in the one that conducts the voyage But I am afraid that spirit will be mixed with other spirits which will spoil both though composed of two good articles Which I am informed the original of the former is active in its natural state Let us trust to luck which may get smile on us

Lat by obs 53.42 N

Long by chron 154.10 E

Friday 25th This day begins with warm fog and calm weather The ice melting from the rigging which keeps the decks as wet as a rain storm I feel some what lonesome this morning but time is rolling off which I hope will soon find me on my way to that long sought for place Home This is too hard life to live for those that are separated from the main object of their life Once I thought I enjoyed my self in this sea But that has passed and it is with regret that precious time is passing and no place among the sweet comforts of this life is unoccupied It affords me little satisfaction to know that I missed out some whilst I am striving to obtain the always needful But as prospects looks dubious But unwearied diligence will accomplish much

Saturday 26th

Thick fog with variable winds Ship working to the northward with all sail set 4 o'clock PM lowered five boats to try the sailing qualities of our new sails The wind being light we had no chance of testing their speed to the satisfaction of all But every one sided for his own boat so that the affair is yet unsettled

Abay Ochotsk Sea

Saturday continued on account of a great race between the two lower-boats. The starboard headed by the Capt in person and the larboard by the third mate. The larboard lower took the prize which was a new gurned frock. She carried ~~three~~ three sails whilst the I carried but two. But the I has a sail of my own make the cut of which will take any thing down with the same cloth and no goss.

Sunday 27th This morning commences with fine clear weather ship heading N.W. Lost hauled on the starboard tack. The weather continues fine through the day. Every one looking earnestly for ice and whales it being in the latitude where ice is usually found. I think it must be near as the first seal was seen to day.

Monday 28th Clear as a bell and quite warm. Ship working to windward with the wind from the northward. Saw great numbers of wild geese. 4 o'clock P.M. Toward five boats on a race as usual after being down an hour or so came along side and found Land head had overflowed with spirit. Which made him wise smart and quarrelsome. The mate after being abused took it up which something very disagreeable. I am now concluding poison distemper of season. Lock and soul. I hope this will be the last. May it never pass between those lips which for other purposes I am it will ruin this seasons work. O what luck what lack.

Lat of obs 55.17. N

Long of Chron 150.10. E

Tuesday 29th Another fine morning ship steering N.W. & wind E.S.E. This afternoon towared my clipper Oneco and went on a shooting excursion returned with but one pair of parrot billed ducks.

Wednesday 30th This fine morning finds the old Cupfrater on the southern edge of a field of ice. Nothing stirring but seal and a great quantity of wild geese and ducks. Spirits have again got the upper hand. The old box must be sound to stand many more such as she has got to day.

Thursday 31st This morning cold as green lane scattering ice all around ship. working to the N and E with topsails. No signs of whales. If we get any oil its more than I expect. This afternoon hatched up a large quantity of codfish. And as soon as the ice breaks up these fish rises to the surface looking as fresh as if just caught at all events whalersmen gather them to eat. But I cannot stomach them. Whether they freeze to death or die some other death is more than I can tell. But to think of eating fish that perhaps has been dead two or three months without knowing the particulars concerning their death is rather infringing on civilization. Though perhaps they are very good for those that choose to eat them.

June

Ship Euphrates

Friday June 1st 1860 This month begins with thick cloudy

weather with the wind from S.W. Ship working to the N and E. along the ice To day lowered a boat for separation Saw three setting upon an iceberg packed up within twenty paces and discharged three muskets at them one rolled off into the water dead and sunk. One of the others made for the boat I had a two barrel gun and one barrel get unexploded which I soon lodged the contents in his heart and drove a harpoon into him at the same time which was the only one saved. They are sure to sink if they die before they can be secured. When on board ship he was cut open and about 20 pounds of stone was found inside his pack, one single one weighing three pounds. I suppose this was their bell

Saturday 2nd

This day dense fog ship laying in heavy ice with the head to the N. Toward a boat for seal several times caught two

Sunday 3rd

Laying blocked up by ice Thick weather and S.E. This afternoon moved the ship to a large field of ice rather an uncomfortable berth for an old ship The swell heaving and chafing her old sides which seems to set her in a suspicious manner

Lat of dead rec 58 20

Long do 156

Monday 4th

This morning weather thick and freezing The ship laying by an ice berg with all sail in. Everything coated over with ice. Small ropes with ice froze to them are as thick as legs. This afternoon a heavy swell heaving from the southward. Ship labouring hard she cannot stand this long. Every time she rises on a swell it brings her in contact with ice here she comes down with some heavy shocks that often knock some one down upon deck. Now whilst I am writing the watch is cutting off the ropes by which she has been secured to the ice which I think will ease her some

Tuesday 5th

Dead calm, thick fog. Ship laying blocked up in heavy ice. 10 o'clock AM commenced snowing and continued so through the day. Snow two feet deep on deck. Everything has a gloomy appearance. Late in the season and have not seen a whale this season. And a hard look for catching them if we should see them. Nothing but ice piled upon pile without space enough of clear water to get a boat afloat if an occasion should offer for the use of them. Better times come in I hope. This season I shall do all the hoping I shall ever do in this sea. I hope I hope I hope I hope

June

Ochotsk Sea

Wednesday 6th Commences calm and foggy Afternoon
snowing like the devil The watch employed in
warping the ship through the ice Bound too only
knows where for no one knows here neither is there
any chance for finding out where the ship's reckoning
would be at present

Thursday 7th Fine weather with light winds Land in sight
bearing North West Land pale & hazy some where
on the coast of Siberia Ship laying with all sail
clewed down Two boats off hunting seal caught five

Friday 8th Commences pleasant Ice scattering Nothing that
looks like a whale O fortune smile on me this once
and I will promise never again to visit the Ochotsk
sea This afternoon raised the Land to the Northward Ship
Laying with all sail clewed down Boats off catching seal

Saturday 9th This morning fine weather Ship laying off the Land
Three boats off ducking Got an observation and found
ourselves off Cape Oliver

Sunday 10th Commences with fine weather light winds from
off shore Lowered three boats to take a look
in shore Ship Laying off and on This afternoon
had some visitors from the Tancoose Indian tribe
The boats returned and reports having seen whales



Cape Oliver & Hugin

Lat 55.10 Long 151.10

Monday 11th Fine weather Ship at anchor Lowered three
boats to go in shore I counted one of the number
and succeeded to capture a large whale Which ha-
ves Onees upon the highest rocks Took her
along side and all has gone in for a snore




Tuesday 12th Commences fine as usual Lowered three boats to go in quest
of whales Went boat on board to help get the whale
Pled in shore and saw bow heads about 10 o'clock
The Onees went on and struck a large whale
Killed the whale and two boats went on board the
Ship and lowered the shipper strake But we
made out to get the anchor and ran down to the
whale and came very near running down boat whale and
all And in the place of dropping the anchor to
the whale the point of in shore with mizen top
sail jib and fore sail wings strong. Bear in shore
and under took to tack but of course she would not
they he began to wear without success and up abait but
she was yonder strake to the rock on which she would
have gone if I had not told him that the mizen
top sail was on her and braced sharp at the mast Head
not to get the yard in and she swung off just clear of
the rocks So stood off shore and let go anchor about
two miles from the boat Shipper turned in and left the ship to
take care of her self made out to get the whale along
side and went to our boat







June

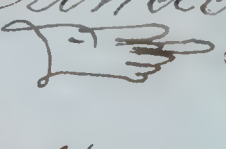
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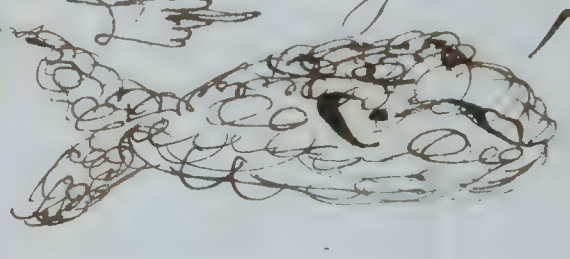
Wednesday 13th This day strong wind from the westward
 all hands cutting the whale Capt below deck
 saw  5. The pupae is here and if rain was in full we
 should stand a chance to get more started boiling

Thursday 14th Fine weather ship at anchor. Towing up four
 8 boats off saw a few whales but captured none

Friday 15th Weather rainy. This morning four boats went
 3 off and returned in the afternoon took the
 anchor and heaved to the Eastward with
 all sail

Saturday 16th This day foggy all hands on board some boiling
 some breakfast but some one thing and some another
 took the anchor to go to Merimac bay but could
 not find it in the fog. Noth ever saw something
 new turns up to star for a change the all one in
 lumen.

Sunday 17th This day foggy. Three boats off whaling the others on board
 2 Stowing down also finished boiling saw two whales

Monday 18th Also commences thick. Ship going to anchor off
 1 Abaremac light, three boats off and the rest on
 board. After noon caught the only whale that has
 been seen through the fog. Hogged up five boats and
 brought him along side ship about twelve o'clock at night

Merimac Bay Lat 58. 49

Tuesday 19th This day fine weather three boats whaling and
 the others on board to cut yesterday's whale. Saw no
 whales. Three boats returned in the evening and fo-
 und the devil's own mess. Capt. Light. Clear per-
 tinent. Whale about half cut in cutting fall broke
 ship all up in arms. Burned on all hands and
 finished cutting about midnight. Capt and Mr
 Antant got into a row and said something about
 fighting but the old man concluded it was not
 best to come to times. All hands have had their run
 with the exceptions of those that do not use the staff
 So it and drink what there is and then I hope there
 will be better management

Wednesday 20th Sometimes foggy and sometimes clear. Three
 boats off looking for whales saw none
 Two boats on board cutting our last fish into
 two pieces

Thursday 21st The weather is usual. Four boats off prospecting
 Went on shore and saw a wandering tribe of
 Indians. Gained their very friendly interest
 The women were treated on the lowest of slaves
 doing all the drudgery whilst the great robust
 men were laying by the fire playing
 with the children. One of the boys struck a woman on
 the head to show his authority and suppose

June

Marimac Bay

Friday 22nd This day three boats off cruising the others on board
haling the last fish. The weather foggy as usual.
Saw a large bear eating upon a whales carke
which had floated to the shore

Saturday 23rd Fine clear weather four boats in shore Laying
to buoys waiting for whales to come up to them and
and get struck I guess they know better than that
Three vessels in the after noon they Capt set the signal
for the boats to come on board drawn on by a R
Capt proposed to go down the bay and shoot some
food started away about 6 P.M. cruised around untill
about midnight Tenel hauled up at the camp of some
Sonoose Indians They was pleased to give us some lodgings
but they had nothing to eat but some seal meat so we con-
cluded to fast but finely they secured up a few fresh salmon
so we eat some of that and laid down to rest All hands slept
with the feet to one fire I got between two bear skins and
went to sleep

Sunday 24th This morning fine pleasant weather Woke up and found
myself half froze to death This is Sunday with them they
seem to be Roman Catholics. In the way they was crossing
themselves They got through with the ceremony and then
wanted to shoot at us maybe and wanted to shoot
my gun So I put in a double charge which kicked
him over which ended our shooting Returned on board

Monday 25th Another fine day Two boats off Three on board
scrapping bone. Loekch called all hands on board
to get Dinner woff. After the anchor was on the boy
and everything snug. The old fool of a skipper brought
a silver dollar on deck and said he was going to flip
up to see which way to go Now he knows that all the
rest of us wants to go to the E. P. Secum and man that
had common sense would see and wanted to make a vot-
age would see that was the course to steer. In the first
place we have seen quite a number of whales and
they have inverbly been going that way and Eastern
whale as general large and still and put a few ships to
star them up. What to the westward are small wild
whales which seldom have a chance to sport before
is pointed for them. Well we have the dollar and
it was 11 for 5 to the E. Now there is a Pensioner settle-
ment to the West of here and his highness is coming
to get there I have been told that there is a lack in the
scraps get create something is bowing him that way.
The dollar said E but he says that is not fare. so he
made a ballot box and said E But is no use he must
go to Dober town so now we are steering off W. S. W.
He says he has got a great head But I do not
think there is much grain in it unless it is in the
shape of N. England grain. That is the way my luck runs. Perhaps it is
all for the best but I do not believe it though and will
not until I have hundred barrels on board which
I think is for us in the N. East Gulf

June

Ship Experiences

Tuesday 26th This morning cloudy sky Ship heading in first Jeffry point inside of Parvika Bay. After noon dens fog. The watch employed in breaking out shot.

Wednesday 27th This day calm. Ship lying off lower head Island. ice extends as far as the eye can reach 4 o'clock P.M. lowered 4 boats to shoot parrot bill ducks.

Thursday 28th This morning took a breeze from off the bar made all sail and beat through the ice up as far as nigger head and came to anchor. The prospect looks hard. Not a whale to be seen but I am not disappointed the whales we have left behind. O fate how long will thou hold me in bondage. how long I shall I strive to strive and toil and get me back to my an unequalled leader. Now here we are in Parvika Bay where I should be disappointed if there was a whale in the bay. But what is the use of desponding I may come here again but I do not believe it. Perhaps we may do something yet but it will be small. That is if the soft patial sailing makes his visit short at the cursed settlement of Bongose and Prussians.

Parvika Bay Lat 58. 30

Friday 29th This day fine weather light breeze from S.W. Ship lying at anchor about half way up the N.E. arm lowered three boats to look for whales. 12 o'clock called them on board to get under way. Hove up anchor and sailed about three miles clear of the ice which was quite heavy. came to anchor off shore about two miles. This afternoon four boats off I saw half dozen whales or whale casts stopping about sometimes here and then away out fonder or no where at all.



Saturday 30th

This day begins with strong, veriblen winds. Ship lying at anchor off niger head 4 boats off I landed at a Bongans encampment. Banned them very friendly indeed got some dinner with them and showed off saw one whale on my way to the ship. Saw on board late in the afternoon. This evening a Bongans boat along side with 4 rainy cheeks to trade for rum and tobacco. That will be some healthy use up the old mans stock of liquor although he sold them two thirds water. The old mans eye water must be most gone he had only 40 gallons when we left the island and he has not been sober since. We shall do just nothing whilst that last I should like to be mate about 5 minutes.

July Baoviska Bay

Sunday July 1st This day begins calm three boats
off Jeffers point saw two whales goats, Sunday
with a light breeze

Monday 2nd Calm weath off town over three boats in the rock
-ey light saw no fish A large piece of ice came
up under my boat and raised her to and str
up one ace here broke in center board stove
her in two places and raised the old nick made
out to get her to the beach where we doctored her
a little and got on board bound good heet tight
on a brick having a row with the third mate

Tuesday 3rd Light winds stop off in the middle of the bay
This afternoon stood in towards Jeffers point
sent in three boats no whales came to anchor
and got under way the same hour all for
a light skipper took my boat and deck
and repaired her. I have looks dull concerning
our seasons catch. Here we are in this cursed bay where
there is no sight for whaling I want to get down in
th. the close town business and get pointed to the west
ward if to the westward we must go we may get to
the something that was but we have seen away
from twelve hundred by not going to the Gulf
But rum and rum women appears to be first

Sept 58

Song 149

Wednesday 4th Fine pleasant ship working towards
dove town All hands on board ~~and~~ at work as
on other day. How different with me is this day
from the 14th one I fear to say. Then I was happy
at home with those I love and cherish. On that day
I had a pleasant ride through the country where
I first found myself a happy thought less child
But still I was happy last fourth though many
years have passed since childhood has changed the
more genuine realities of life. Last fourth I was with
the my most sacred friend. To day every man
is for him self. Last fourth seems now like
a dream of pure bliss. To day the stern reality
is staring me in the face and makes me
shudder almost when I see the season wearing off
and the ship lying where whales are not sup-
posed to be and the skipper looking back and
with a wild set of tongue and steam. He is now
going to leave for the settlement. He has too
then provisions for several days. The stock was
composed of vegetables, one bag of flour a large
stock of hard bread and then seven or eight
bottles of liquor, tobacco and other notions.
I hope he will have his time or chance
out and let him alone entirely
and try to find whales.

July Baoviska Bay

Thursday 5th Begins with fine weather and light winds Ship laying out anchor off dooby town Capt and 2nd mate on shore ship in charge the cooper three boats off trying to find whales saw one

Friday 6th Also fine, light winds Toward three boats went in off dooby town river and found quite a number of whales chased until sunset set and gave it up. Returned on board and found runner chief returned and taken his birth. Cargo too heavy. Also for second dicker after laying on the beach a couple of days must come on board and burn in. Smart man I do not think being there with those Persian women whilst whales were blowing all in plain sight of the village

Saturday 7th Fine weather Strong breeze from off shore Toward three boats Capt and 2nd mate on shore Last night with a cargo of small stores such as flour two bags, heard bread half cast, liquor two or three gallons two shaggs and other notions. Three boats returned from whaling without success having seen plenty of whales. No Capt on board to night. I might he would send the second mate off to try and catch a whale he might as to the devil for all that I care

Baoviska Bay Dooby Town

Sunday 8th Bineclear weather Capt on board Toward four boats Oneco struck large whale and turned him up after getting two boats stove. Oneco thou were a good boat but now you have lost the broad side and are laying one side a complete wreck. But the crew are safe and a good hundred and fifty barrel whale added to our stores. The Persians came off and helped us tow him to the ship

Monday 9th Another fine day. Three boats off whaling. 30 the others on board. Cut in the whale and found him large and fat beyond expectation. One boat crew of natives on board

Tuesday 10th This morning wind S E blowing strong. Set under way for Rabia Island and sent two boats off whaling. 12 o'clock Toward away the starboard bow boat, as the Oneco is stove and went in pursuit of the other boat, which I found lay in the after noon. A boat steered at a whale pass which ought to have been struck I suppose being alone in rough weather he did not like to run the risk. But he has done well before. Put up all night at dooby town

Wednesday 11th This morning wind light sea rough
Saw quite a number of whales cruised all
day and got back to lobby town about 12 o'clock PM

Thursday 12th Fine weather, took an early start and came up
with whales soon after leave the mouth of the ri-
ver. About 5 o'clock PM I unexpectedly worked the
old boat along side of a large whale when
the boat steer got one iron into land at the
same time threw the line from the chocks
and whilst endeavoring to replace it I lost the
whole line which the exception of about three
feet which I made fast around the lower head
However it was a mistore how the boat never
kept right side up, it did however and I was
soon a long mile of his fat masts and set
his chimney on fire After he was dead
left him at anchor and returned to the ship
the other two boats whaleing off they never
sawed to the ship about 7 o'clock PM and
found the ship full of Runyan's tight as bricks
and Capt G. drunk as an old fool which he
personified to an extent I persuaded on him to have
the ship under way and such manœuvring I never
saw until he gave up to me and concluded to retire
which he did by flapping down staves 10 o'clock PM Ship heading
out of Gabras Island with light wind

Friday

Friday 13th Fine weather, ship heading for the whale
Back him along side and cut throat and tips
which finished this day's work

Saturday 14th This morning finished cutting and took
the anchor for Gabras Island I sent two boats
off I think it is best for me to wait for
Once she is almost done again She is the pride
of the ocean and cleeth among whales

Sunday 15th Weather cloudy ship heading towards
Gabras harbor This afternoon came to
anchor in anchor the I slapt Capt L.
as a receipt. Whale fat makes oil like the
devil. Luck seems to favor us at present
Sometimes the prospects looks dark. But at present
and I feel as though there was some indication
of soon finishing up my sea life and
return and spend the rest of my days
in the land of my travels

Monday 16th This day got two boats off and the
remainder on board being only showing
down the last two whales which are extra-
ordinary gages But we want 10 more
and then I like for a warmer climate
it light us usually in the afternoon

Ship Experiences

Tuesday 17th This day begins with an ever lasting
curs on rum and those which use it in one
and six months in this ship will convince a man
that to be free from liquor is a rare thing
and weather foggy still slowing down the boats off

Wednesday 18th As usual fact the boats came on board
and I started off for a cruise stopped over night
in Doboy town Saw no whales

Thursday 19th Started from Doboy town in the fog Boat
circle off in the bay and at night broke it up
out of town. Dawn stopped at the house of a
Catholic Priest

Friday 20th Started from my Russian friends early in
the morning and got fine weather through
the day. Saw no whales. Returned to Doboy
town for the night. Found Capt. Heath
there with a boat of the small stores which
he pretended to be trading with but he brought
off nothing but a few fish

Saturday 21st Took an early start and saw whales
soon after leaving the river. I soon had the Oneco
alongside of me which I soon had in tow for the
ship.

Sunday 22nd All four boats racing my whale out all
night in the boats

Monday 23rd Sat the whales along side and began
cutting. Head strap parted and lost the head
there goes a thousand dollars. So let every thing hang
for the night. About 20 Russians on board half
light and Capt. Heath to two thirds. So ends the day
and I think will turn in.

Tuesday 24th Fine weather. Ship taking off Doboy town with the whale
in one of three boats off. Commenced boiling. The Russians
went on shore loaded with small stores. I understood
that carried off the 5th barrel of flour whilst the
crew are almost suffering for those same things.
Stopped over night in and old house and found part
of our stores which the Mosquitos had devoured the rest

Wednesday 25th Awoke this fine morning from a pleasant sleep
and shoved the invincible Oneco from the barren
sands of Siberia and after cruising the coast water
over and over again we returned to the Oneco
only to find Capt. Heath drunk and quarrelsome. I had some
words with him which came near giving his courage tested.
Two boats bound to Frenchmans Bay

Maoriska Bay

Monday 26th Commences with fine weather Three boats on board, finished boiling, whale made over one hundred lbs. The old man. has got a barrel of french brand which he clings to well & give up of his going out of liquor nor no hopes of his selfing before he spoils the season if some more had this give should had more oil with half the work which has been unnecessarily done So be it the season is almost finished

Tuesday 27th Good weather but calm Two boats off to French men's Bay And the others on board The Gregg is hanging up for a new coat of paint Capt. is tight as a brick and he and myself has a flourish But he is feel less noisy

Wednesday 28th Commences fog Ship Laying off French men's Bay Two boats on board stowing oil This afternoon the other boats came along having seen plenty whales but caught nothing

Thursday 29th This morning weather thick Ship under way lowered three boats to cruise off about four river cruised there until night and went up to the Mow for the night where were received with every mark of friendship by our Kinsmen French

St. Noel Water Bay

Friday 30th Boat on board start and cruised up board the ship went on board and started again for another cruise Arrived off the river late in the day Saw a few whales the Larboard boat struck Byrned at the whale and anchored him I got the Oneco stove for the third time But this she spoiled me in the blink

Saturday 31st This morning lowered two boats the others on board cutting four whales I saw our two boats last lowered two others and soon had him beyond side the ship it proved to be the Larboard boats whale

Sunday 1st This month begins with a very strong wind from N.E. finished cutting and sent off four boats myself on board repairing the Oneco This after noon fine weather boats came on board having seen nothing through the day Capt. is off for Cape Town with another load of trade I think foreign produce must be below par by the looks of the quantity he gets in return for the ship's provisions which he carries away He carries off some fifty or sixty dollars worth and brings back sometimes a few salmon and the last time he brought one salted bag of turnip tops

August Ship Euphrates

July Thursday This morning lowered three boats to
cruis off the river About noon saw the Capt
going on board with his turnips Saw no whales
Stopped all night at the mouth of Dobry river

Friday 3rd This morning launch took an early start in search
of bowheads but saw nothing though we well de-
scribed a large whale for staying all day in the
rain which was very foolish but we will feel bet-
ter fisher and by the time the others catches as
much oil as I have we shall have more than
the ship will hold Arrived on board just as
the ship was leaving for Dobry town and
I have since learnt that he stayed three days

Saturday 4th Weather good Three boats off for shoal bay
arrived there and saw quite a number of whales
but could no capture any At night found gur-
neters in Gavorstee town

Sunday 5th This morning the weather indicates a S.E. flow
which came on early in the day Nine boats
made tracks for the river which with no little
danger we succeeded in passing over the
sandy Stopped in Gavorstka I stopped with an
old Greek Priest A fine old man
Gavorstee town

Monday 6th So day the wind continues to blow
and we have to content our selves the
best way we can Now but we are doing well
The Russians are very attentive to Americans
This evening they gave a grand ball for the occa-
sion but they was ship leaved because myself and
mate did not join in the jubile. but we consider
ourselves too old to take the once gay character of youth
which is past though memory will at present
to my imagination those thought less hours and
swell my heart with a longing to return and live
again those blissful days

Tuesday 7th Again we have another bad day both raining
and blowing This afternoon I crossed the river
and entered our Boon gap fence against Gaurd
them wild but kind I believe by appearances
they most all belong to the Greek church

Wednesday 8th This morning ventured through the breakers Saw
three or four whales Arrived on board the ship
at five in the afternoon cold and wet through
to the skin Bound the capt tight and every thing
up in confusion The season is most up and we
have got a good share of oil but it is well earned
He being with a drunken look But he takes care
and keeps clear of me which is good for him

August Berovska Bay
Thursday 9th This morning strong wind from

S E Gave up anchor and started for Island to catch pick up two boats with three crews on board. The second mate of the *Marion Thersia* having been capsized in the surf off Lober Cove. He lost his boat with two men. This afternoon came to anchor with the Capt. beastly drunk that is he could not stand up.

Friday 10th This day again as usual. Four boats on board. Also the *Marion Thersia* herself fitting a new boat, the one having broken down on the cralun after hooking the tackle to hoist up the stranger. I have got a new boat but she is still going to be an Oneco.

Saturday 11th The weather sometimes clear and sometimes foggy. The *Marion Thersia*'s boats started for their share. Our boats all on board. *Maachies* working on the long oneco.

Sunday 12th This day foggy. Toward three boats to cruise for whales. *Maachies* on board fitting my boat. This afternoon Capt. Heath loaded the fifth boat for Lober Cove. He says he is going for turnips I suppose. He will come off loaded because he carried off two gallons of rum and three bags of flour.

Monday 13th A fine pleasant weather. This forenoon the boats came alongside for grub. They report having seen a large train of whales. One of the boats struck and lost his fish by having fowl line. This is the commencement of sootba. A large whale not gone to pot but gone off with a good set of craft in his back. The same three boats has gone back to the field of action. And Capt. Heath seems to stop in the valley of inaction. But never mind. I have the *Oneco* all ready but drying the paint. He is couler is black, white and green bottom. With the addition of a new gaff topsail to my sail.



Tuesday 14th This morning fine weather toward three boats off in sight of the ship was a large number of whales. Power boat went on and missed. This afternoon Capt. H came from Lober Cove with 4 dozen of salmon and three half bushel of turnips. 4 o'clock toward the new Oneco for the first time. Found her to be a first rate sea boat. Beside a coast whale boat. After being in the water about two hours I got fast to the largest whale I have seen this season. Being fast with my second iron I had some difficulty in pulling him. But finally I got a lance to bear and turned him up about sun down and left him at anchor for the night.



Aug

Ship Euphrates

Wednesday 15th Good weather this morning located the boats to tow the whale to the ship. But found that he had sunk so cruised all day for another but saw none. This afternoon I fitted the crew to lay by the sunken whale ship under way.

Thursday 16th This morning fog. Found the whale had risen to the surface. Also found the ship at anchor close. So hauled the whale along side and have now got his jacket in the flubber room. This evening Capt Heath off on board the ship St George. Titled as a brick. He says he has got a good head and is a smart man for a voyage. Well I think he can drink more rum and live through it than any man I ever saw.

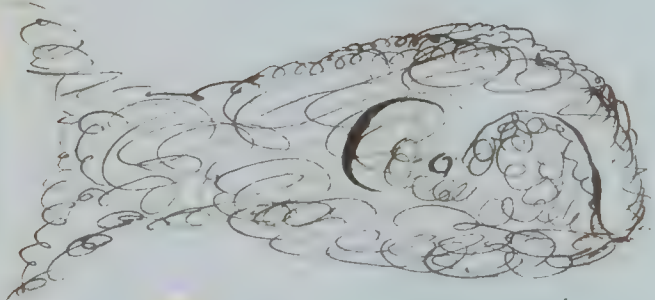
Friday 17th This day strong breeze from S E ship at anchor boiling. Three boats off saw quite a number of whales but could not strike. They are very wild. This evening Capt Heath is beastly drunk. That is he cannot keep his soles to the bottom I believe he has had a visitor from the ship St George.

Saturday 18th This day clear. Three boats come from the ship and have not returned up to this time which is eight o'clock P M. The remainder of us lying out. Two finger jack half steam on.

Half way between Frenchman's bluff and Solof Town

Sunday 19th Fine weather. Ship at anchor as usual. The three boats returned without a fish. Well I will try the once tomorrow and see what she can find. Capt. Heath has gone gaming. The Doby cruise has been put off until another day.

Monday 20th This morning commences with a strong breeze from the Eastward. Lowest three boats and went in off the river. The Larwood boat struck and killed a medium sized whale. But night one boat went to the ship and the other two stayed in Doby town where we found Capt Heath with another load of trade. I shall not keep an account of the provision he has taken from this ship but he carries a boats cargo every time.



Tuesday 21st Good weather. I came off and the Capt on shore. Mr. Cesbro got the ship under way and to the whale along side at about 11 P M. Weather looks suspicious. Skipper came off 9 o'clock P M. Lashed the whale slow it blowed a strong gale of wind. Ship Laid out anchor two miles of Doby river. Seventy five fathoms of cable out.

Maori

July

Wednesday 22nd Blowing a heavy gale from S

Commenced cutting in the morning and got hanging at three in the afternoon and made but: but but I had a narrow escape to stand in the near the plank piece which came down and brought the fire upon my head and smacked me down but as it happened it brought up before it reached the deck which me from being smacked. It is very dangerous work cutting a whale in rough weather.

Thursday 23rd Commenced at the great quantities of rain. Got under way and came to anchor again in Babian harbour. The St George also fleet to the same place.

Wednesday 24th Sent three boats to cruise off the river. Saw one whale and stoped over night at Doboy town.

Thursday 25th This morning fine weather. Saw three whales off the river. Sent one boat to the ship for provisions returning put up for the night at Babian fra town. Saw quite a number of whales at the close of the day.

Friday 26th Saws for cruised all day but saw nothing. Stoped at the aforesaid place.

Monday 27th This day commences with both rain and fog. Mid day broke and became clear fine weather. Saw no whales so returned to Doboy river for the night.

Tuesday 28th Fine weather. Returned to the ship and found everything stowed down. The lower hould checked off fore and aft.

Wednesday 29th Fine beautiful weather. Two boats off catching clams. Capt Heath off for Doboy town after more turnips.

Thursday 30th Strong winds from S. Ship lay at anchor in Babian harbour. 2 boats off whaling and two in Doboy town. Myself on board with my crew. So day I had a hunting excursion up a river which runs down between two mountains and empties into the sea near Babian Island.

Friday 31st This day saws for Capt Heath off to Doboy town with a dozen plate and and as many other kinds of crockery. were besides three gallons of rum. The other boats on board I took a cruise in Genette bay and saw nothing. This evening the old man came on board with about one bushel of turnips.

Sept Ship Cuprates

Saturday Sept 1st Commences with fine weather Lowered four boats two to the East and two to the West. Hunted for the west. Saw quite a number of whales. I went on but having the cod ^{points} in the place of my harpoon. He missed. Stopped over night in Doby town

Sunday 2^d This day blowing a gale from the westward went out of the river but soon returned to make harbour from the gale which is heavy

Monday 3^d This morning a little more moderate Left the river before light I saw some whales and the west boat struck a small one which made out to come up with and kill after running him fifteen miles out to sea

Tuesday 4th Storm breeze with heavy weather. Capt returned to the ship from D & and took the whale and cut him

Wednesday 5th Fine weather Three boats off saw nothing. Returned to the ship and found that the Capt had come back to D & with another load of stores consisting of three bags of flour and three gals molasses two bolts of cloth one white and another blue a quantity of rum and other things

Thursday 6th Storm breeze from S.W. Still laying off D & three boats of in quest of whales. Capt returned on board with nearly a bushel of turnips. All the boats came on board and got under way and came to anchor again under the lee of Fabian Island

Friday 7th Good weather Three boats off to cruise off the river saw nothing and went into D & for the night. At midnight Capt Bleeth came ashore light as a tick and got up a dance and danced all night. In the mean time the Prussians drank and they got to fighting. Hammered the old priest and picked up merry till

Saturday 8th Weather the same Same boats cruising off the river. Had again stopped at D & Capt He there drank as usual

Sunday 9th Still the same Good weather. Arrived off the same place and returned to the ship without seeing any whales and God knows whether they will ever come back for I do not weather. Oh I curse He is a curse to the voyage

Sept Barviska Bay

Monday 10th This day fine weather All hands on board except the Capt and his crew stowed away the oil of the last whale which stowed between decks

Tuesday 11th Good weather Capt Heath has not returned The remainder of the crew cleaning ship

Wednesday 12th Still fine weather Capt Heath comes on board about midday and sent four boats off bearing I believe the old man has been down to Barviska town and got the natives drunk got down drunk himself used up all of his liquor had the horses and returned to the ship very near a used up man

Thursday 13th Cloudy weather ship still at anchor lowered three boats to go gunning returned after dark with twenty four ducks

Friday 14th This day raining all hands on board some reading some writing and some sleeping

Saturday 15th Good weather Three boats off the river the others sitting off water

Sunday 16th This day strong breeze from the South the boats either water were all day getting seven casks of water about an hour after sunset Capt H took it into his head to go to Doh town rather than to see the old fool because I went with him got in to the river about ten o'clock found the brakers very heavy took a bag of flour

Monday 17th Good weather To day I went off shooting found plenty of game

Tuesday 18th Still Good weather Took the old man two on board found the boats on board taking of more water whilst on shore filling the casks lost five men which I suppose have run away Late this evening I am sitting the one to go in search of them Two bags of flour

Wednesday 19th This morning finds me in Doh town after a nights tramp But without success

Thursday 20th This morning dressed myself in Russian clothes and started out through the woods returning at night and found two in town secured them with irons and resigned myself to the arms of slumber

Ship: Explorer

Friday 21st This morning went on board with my prisoners and returned again to the field of action but most fall me at visited several fires but they proved to be houses.

Saturday 22nd This morning started for Cowissee and arrived there after dark. But found no trace of the runaways.

Sunday 23rd Go day blowing a gale from the S.E. in consequence of which I could not leave.

Monday 24th Still in Cowissee Breakers breaking across the passage I cannot come through them at least I shall not try it.

Tuesday 25th This morning fine weather. Made a start very early. In trying to pass through the breakers I got caught with a heavy frober and filled the boat nearly full of water. Lost part of my arms and made out to get back alive. Stopped two or three hours and started again. This time passed out with all hands but one and the boat half full of water. I do not wish to try it again. Arrived at Dobbs Town Lake in the evening. Caught two more men and secured them for the night. And to finish our cruise. The people of Dobbs Town gave a grand ball as a token of their regard for us. At being the last night we expected to stop there. I made all excuses to clear me from dancing but it was no use. I had to put on Brunswick boots and join in. Danced all night and started for the ship.

Wednesday 26th Arrived on board about noon. Found all hands waiting with great anxiety for fear that some accident had detained me so long. Breeced the four runaways up in the rigging and Capt. H. gave them a moderate flogging and a half. He being perfectly sober for the good reason of not having any liquor.

Thursday 27th This day commences with a snow storm wind. S.E. Ship put anchor under the lee of Barbic Island. This afternoon wind S.W. The ships deck too feet deep with snow. Whilst the hills and valleys of old Liberia are clothed with the white robes of winter.

Baviska, Belg

Friday 28th This morning fine clear weather wind
 1st W. Hove up anchor, set the conkers.
 Gave three cheers, and swung her off for
 better weather. Steering for bog he ad Island
 This afternoon fine weather. Ship steering South
 Capt. Fleeth is visited with the blue devils. He is now
 has been gone some four or five days unless he has had some
 privacy which I doubt. He has seen this afternoon
 a sort of devils made up of old clothes which he gets for
 say Mr. Casebro and heard and piece of the head of
 the game. It is hoped that he will soon be better.
 for the ship must soon pass ex again at dangerous
 Islands and some time must be done for the safety
 of our lives and ship. He also threatens to shoot
 some body. Not a very pleasant thing to be used by a
 crazy man in a ship's cabin among so many people.

Saturday 29th Fine weather wind from the west. Ship steering
 1st W. By day I think our skipper is more rational
 he slept all of the forenoon. Last night he came
 on deck and wanted me to go down and see
 for myself. Mr. Antons went down. Fleeth pointed
 to an old Russian coat and said there don't you
 see him. Mr. Antons told him no it was nothing
 but clothes. But he said it was no use they would
 make him believe that black was white. Now
 he thinks there is Russian girls in the ship and
 declares his desire to share in the great luxury.

Sunday 30th Strong wind from the westward. Ship steering
 1st W. Little doing but mackerel and salmon in
 rain. A strong desire seems to arise in the hearts
 of those that have friends to reach the Islands
 and hear from them. O how I long to hear
 if those dear friends are still living in
 kind fortune favor sweet hopes alone cheer
 me in this secluded life. Lat 28 00

Oct Ship Euphrates

Monday Oct 1st This month commences with fine weather
Ship steering S E by S with the wind on the fore-
quarter. Nothing but the same routine of making
a passage over and over again. I do hate to
be going from one place to another. I wish I could
have my whole time of this voyage on the
whaling ground. It would soon pass off.

Tuesday 2nd This morning strong wind from N by E
Ship heading out of the fifth passage
with land on both sides. Two seals
in sight. This afternoon out clear of the land
Ship steering E S E. Spoke the large Esst. One
whale this season. On bent our cable and stowed
them away.

Wednesday 3rd This day commences with good weather
and ends with a strong S by S ship steering
E S E. Work in the waist and bow but does
make anything snug for a gale.

Thursday 4th This day rainy with a strong breeze from
S by E. Ship steering by the wind.
Capt. Heath seems very well excepting a rumor
which has broke out all over his body. He
seems like a man just awake from a sleep
and is now buried in stupor and astonishment.

Friday 5th This day begins with a gale from S E
Ship taking too mucher close reef maintop
sail fore topmast-stay-sail and main top-sail.

Saturday 6th Wind light from N by W Ship steering S E by S
half E. Prepared the Oneco where she
got stove whilst after renewals. Nothing is
going on. Every thing is quiet. Capt. Heath
has the appearance of a perfect gentleman.

Sunday 7th Light winds from North to East Ship steering
by the wind when she is not becalmed. I expect
this will be a long passage.

Monday 8th This morning blowing a gale from N by E
Ship heading E S E with close reef
main top-sail and fore-sail. This afternoon
steering E with all sail out. Wind
stath.

Tuesday 9th Commences with strong breeze from N by E
Ship heading to the S E and puffed
on. Ben a look at the blowing a perfect
hurricane. Ship lying to like a stuck
Eindstone gave away came down upon
me with great force. Saved myself by
putting up with consequences.

North Pacific Ocean to the Sandwich Islands

Wednesday 10th This morning strong breeze from the West
Ship steer East with all sail out All
neck stiff as a poker in consequence of the recent
meals Upon my person by our travelling grind stone

Thursday 11th Good weather wind west. Ship steering
West. This morning painted the Cane This af-
ternoon wind north.

Friday 12th Fine beautiful weather Ship steering
E & N. Early this morning on Ship. Capt. St.
Friday 12 is another man in experience. everything seems to be
new to him. He is very much interested in his bus-
iness, and has taken to reading the papers which
have been in the ship all the season are seemingly
new to him. Ours may as well rest upon the
first author.

Saturday 13 Fine weather with strong breeze from the East
Ship steering E half N with all sail out
Saturday 13 Saw a fin back whale bound to parts unknown
also saw a gail to the Northward
This is tedious nothing but the one thing over and
over again It is turn in and sleep four hours and
turn out and walk four hours one day after another
It is neither day or night But watch and watch

Crossed the Equator in Lat 4 S.

Sunday 14th Light winds from the westward Ship
steering E & N. Spoke the Hermit P. S. S.
Here from Petropolsk to Honolulu S. F.

Sunday 14th This day thick haze weather wind E S E
Ship heading N E to be the wind. I wonder at
the time which so often has been spoken about
as next day after never when two cluff days
comes together

Monday 15th This day strong winds from S E Ship steer
ing in the wind with a heavy press of canvas

Tuesday 16th As each Monday so begins and ends Tuesday
Myself alive but have a touch of the blues.

Wednesday 17th This day fine weather wind from the
westward Ship steering E half S

Thursday 18th This day strong winds with squalls
steering E half S. Capt. Heath being out
of rum he is trying to strengthen his sails
by making out another set of tops and
charging the poor sailor a good price for
what few articles of clothing he has had
from the store.

October

Ship Euphrates.

From the

Friday 19th Fine weather Wind from N W. Ship steering E half S. all hands employed in mending sails

Saturday 20th Strong wind from N E Ship heading to the S S E. by the wind

Sunday 21st Strong breeze from the E Eastward with rain steering by the wind

Monday 22nd This day thick weather with strong breeze from the Southward. Ship steering by the wind. The watch employed in cleaning ship. This is a hard look for making a quick passage. We are now in the longitude of the Islands and the wind from the Southward. About our Lat. is 41. 10.

Tuesday 23 This day squally weather Ship steering S E. by S. Mr. [unclear] has been sick in consequence of a severe cold which has again took possession of my right breast

Wednesday 24th Fine weather wind N W Ship steering S S E

Lat of obs

38. 40 N

Long by chron

134. 15 W

Thursday 25th Light winds and variable ship being to steer S E half E. So that I am about again, this changing climate does not agree with me exactly

Friday 26th This day fine weather with light breeze from N W Ship steering S by E
Lat 35. 10
Long 153. 24

Saturday 27th Pleasant weather light winds and variable the watch employed in cleaning ship

Sunday 28th As ends yesterday so begins and ends today

Monday 29th Strong breeze from the southward with squalls Ship on the starboard tack.

Tuesday 30th Light winds and variable Lat by obs 35. 25 Long 152. 30
The watch employed in scraping ship masts

Wednesday 31st This day fine pleasant weather Ship steering S by E with a light breeze from the Eastward

November

Ochotsk Sea to the Sandwich Islands

Thursday Nov 1st Still heading our course with all sail set. Now the prospect looks fair to be in port in the course of four or five days.

Friday 2nd Fine weather strong trade winds Ship heading S by E Lat by obs 27.45

Saturday 3rd As ends yesterday so begins and ends to day Lat by obs 25.06

Sunday 4th Strong trades Ship heading S by E

Monday 5th This morning Hawaii in sight 2 o'clock came to anchor off Lohaina. Found seventeen ships in port. The fleet has done very poorly as a general thing.

Tuesday 6th This day hot and sultry. All hands employed in unloading bone. wrote down to Honolulu for letters.

Wednesday 7th Boat as tophet employed in weighing bone which turned out 14825 lbs. To day the new steamer came up from Honolulu bound to Hawaii Cooper on shore drunk Capt. do

Ship Anroed Capt. Willis (Howes Master)

Lohaina Hawaii

Thursday 8th This morning squally. Went on shore took my discharge from the the Euphrates and shipped the same time on board the ship Mimrod as first officer. Went on board and took charge better. I wrote this for me but never mind I am going towards home.

Friday 9th Boat as blue blazes, one watch on Liberty the other employed in ship's store. Sent down the foretop gallant mast and sent up a longer one received on board 5 barrels Irish potatoes 120 gallons molasses 4 dozen two pound cans of preserves.

Saturday 10th Light winds and hot weather. One watch on shore the other employed in ship's store. Sent up a main top gallant mast and received on board five bags of coffee.

Sunday 11th Fine weather one watch on Liberty the other on board. I went on shore to get some letters from Honolulu which I sent for last Monday. They were very welcome indeed about this time.

Lumber. Ship Amrood

Monday Nov 12th This day fine weather Ship
laying at anchor in the Harbour of
Sakaina. Mani One watch on Liberty
the other employed in repairing the
for topsail. The crew of a large quantity
of fruit from shore

Tuesday 13th Fine pleasant weather though hot. Ship
laying at anchor with eight fine
sathena cable out one watch on Liberty
the other employed in repairing sails
and getting off recruits

Wednesday 14th Wind from the southward one watch on Liberty
the other employed in bending sails and prepar-
ing for sea. I shall go to sea without having
a run on shore I am contented to be off toward
home

Thursday 15th This morning blowing a gale from S E
Ship laying at anchor in Sakaina Harbour
Sent down signal and signal gear and
prepared for shipping. Saw the barque
Sakaina on the reef. Afternoon
wind South and equally with rain

Sakaina Mani

Friday 16th This morning wind A W Sent up
top signal gear and sent a boat on shore
After noon sent two boats and got off a small
draft of water. And let the schooner and
down the first instance of the time I ever
knew

Saturday 17th This day begins with fine weather
and strong trade winds. I sent
a boat on shore and at 10 AM Capt
Howes sent off word to get under way
and before the anchor was clear he
came on board himself. Soon after took
anchor made sail and pointed for
Honolulu before the anchor got back
and toward three boats and lowered her
into a breeze

Sunday 18th This day begins with N E ship
laying off Sakaina. Capt Howes
Capt Howes went on shore to get
up and stood off shore. I saw half
dozen ships at side. Tuesday I am
to send a boat in for Capt Howes
and shall go on shore for
a short time.

Journal South

Monday 19th This day commences with a calm. Ship taking off and on Simon head nine o'clock took a light breeze from Eastward. This after noon light variable with rain squalls sent Gyal Gearch at the fore and main

Tuesday 20th This day begins with light variable winds and dench with strong trade ship taking off and on at Honolulu Capt H on shore. The watch employed Received a note from Capt H

Wednesday 21st Strong trade winds ship taking off Simon head Gearch sent a boat up shore and received a note from Capt H. He is detained another day in consequence of the arrival of the U.S. M.

Thursday 22nd This day strong north East trade ship taking off and on Honolulu harbor. I went on shore and Capt H came on board Gearch. P.M. I got through my business and went on board after which we kept off to the South

Friday 23rd This day begins with strong wind ship steering S.E. The watch watch employed in stowing anchors and other small jobs

Long by chron 157. 11

Lat by obs 18. 14

Saturday 24th This day very strong East wind ship heading S.E. by the wind. The watch employed in various duties about ship. This after noon choise watches and boats crews

Sunday 25th This day very strong winds from E & S ship steering S.E. by the wind. No work except working ship. Lat 16.50 Long 156.40

Monday 26th This day strong wind from E & S ship heading S.E. by the wind. The watch busy in various little jobs put out the waist boat and took in the starboard boat to undergo repairs

Tuesday 27th This day begins with the same strong wind ship heading S.E. by the wind. Lat 12.37 Long 155.0

Wednesday 28th This wind more moderate spoke on and jammed with the ship Oregon Capt Galt came on board of the minnow and I went on board Oregon. She is bound on the same route as the minnow

December Ship Limerick

Thursday 29th This day strong winds from E N E Ship heaving on the port tack. The watch employed in sailoring.

Friday Nov 30th This day commences end with a light weather. Ship heaving S E. Moke and company with the Oregon. Mr Thomas the mate was on board of our ship whilst Cap J. was on board of the Oregon. We got a main top mast on board of said ship.

Saturday December 1st This day Wind S E Ship on the larboard tack. No doubt we made the start time this evening that our steward had been to the liquor and helped himself and helped others also so to inform him who he was I tied him up in the main rigging so that his feet would just touch the deck then took shirt over his shoulders then with the cat of nine tails peeled off his back and rectified him to the forecabin as the lowest deck waller in the ship. This seems something like living instead of the capt being drunk. He is a strict temperance man and a man that will not stand no drunken nonsense. This afternoon I have had him scraping masts fore and aft & run them out a great evil.

Lat 40 5.02

Long 151 50

Sunday 2nd This day fine weather Ship heaving to the South. Saw a school of con fish. I see that my bestows days work. How the capt scraped down the masts but I recollect now it was the snow that was flogged. I find this birth a hard task. There is more depending than I can attend to. In the first place there is a large crew to attend to and keep busy. Some of them know something and some does not. So from the 2nd mate to the roots are depending upon me to know this and that and what they shall do next. Capt. Byers has but a very little to say about anything. I have the fat to look after as sure as the day comes and then to get an altitude in the afternoon and then when night comes and I have been busy all day and feel like turning. I have to set down and write first I begin with my journal then comes the ships log a long days work to write up then the memoranda and by that time I feel like giving up. However I had but one object of some kind. Of this craft and if that object is attained I shall be satisfied. No one knows that object and it will be a long time before it will come to light. Here we are in Lat 3.28 N Long 152.56 W.

Dec

South Pacific Ocean

Monday 3rd This day fine breeze from ESE ship heading South. The watch employed in various jobs about ship. Capt at work cutting the foremast. Latt 128 10
Long 154 13 W

Tuesday 4th This day fine weather ship heading S E by S. Sent down main royal and top galient yards and masts. Mechanics at work on a top mast which is to replace the old one. Latt 00 42 S
Long 154 01 W

Wednesday 5th This day strong breeze from ESE ship steering S of the wind on the S tack. Sent down the main topmast and replaced it again sent top sail yard and sent the sail. Latt 2 15 S
Long 153 20

Thursday 6th This day commences with a change of top sail breeze and runs the same. The watch employed in various work. Latt 3 42
Long 153 40

Friday 7th Strong winds from ESE ship heading to the Southward and Eastward. Sent up a new main top sail and cut up the old one. The mechanics at work repairing the old main top mast. Latt 5 42

Saturday Dec 8th This day fine weather ship heading S by E. The watch heading employed at subsiding. Latt 7 17
Long 153 56

Sunday 9th This day begins with fine weather and ends the same. Sent aloft the main top gallant mast, yard and sail. Also gained with the ship. Latt 9 24
Long 153 56

Monday 10th This day fine weather ship steering S by W. The watch employed in spearing the main top sail. Latt 9 27
Long 153 52

Tuesday 11th This day fine breeze from N by E ship heading S by W. The watch employed in sail making. Latt 9 27
Long 153 52

Wednesday 12th This day light winds and squally ship steering S by W with full sail at the fore and main. The main cut up the watch mending sails. Latt 9 27
Long 153 52

Ship Timrod

Thursday 13th This day fine weather

Ship heading S. S. W. with a light
breeze from S. W. still repairing sails
Lat by obs 15° 35'
Long by Chron 155° 19'

Friday Dec 14th This day calm and hot as the day
Ship heading all around the
compass, bent the foremast and
on old fore top sail, also a new fore
top gallant sail. Lat by obs 16° 03'
No observation

Saturday Dec 15th Fine weather Ship steering
S. S. W. Sailed with the Chagor Lat 16° 38'
Long 156° 36'

Sunday 16th Fine weather Ship steering S. S. W.
with all sail set Lat by obs 17° 17'

Monday 17th This day begins fine weather
with rain at night and light fine ship
heading S. S. W. with double reefed top sails
Lat 18° 02'

Tuesday Dec 18th Fine weather Ship steering W
half S. with all sail set the watch
employed in working on the rigging
Lat 18° 50'

Wednesday 19th This day fine weather Ship steering
W. half S. Do not see the land
with the naked eye Lat 18° 53'

Thursday 20th This day four hours Ship steering
West Saw a black P. B. saw the Island of
Whootakee this evening Ship steering
W. half S. by the wind

Friday 21st Whootakee is about 6 miles distant
the natives came on board with several
different kinds of fruit to trade for little
iron. Tomorrow being their Sunday we
shall have to wait and trade when it is
Sunday with us.

Saturday Dec 22nd This day begins again with
rain squalls Whootakee bearing
South 6 miles distant In consequence
it being their Sunday no natives come off

Sunday Dec 23rd This day breeze from North Ship
sailed in fore. The natives brought off 13 battens of wood and
and an quantity of fruit.

South Pacific Ocean

Monday 24th This day light variable winds and rain, and an unusual heavy swell. The watch employed in hanging up fruit and securing it in a proper place to keep the old ship small till a fruit store, and very thing is strung up with fruit, and the best fruit in this part of the globe.

Tuesday 25th Calm weather. Christmas begins with a heavy row with the crew, which terminates without the loss of life. Michelle part more quiet with officers. Another cold roast turkey and many kinds of fruit, mince pies, pine apple pies, and a pie made of the guinea plum. This day each very quiet indeed. Lat 18 38. Long 159.50

Wednesday 26th Strong wind from East. Ship still in 5th with all sail set. I clear how long we can stay. I cannot tell when I have been so sad with a reason. Lat 20.28

Thursday 27th This day strong winds from East. Ship steering S.W. with top gallant + sails out. For breakfast we had roast pork, beef, soft back, sweet cake, flippers, pickles, sugar coffee and pine apple pie. For dinner, chicken soup, beef, pork, pickles, sweet and Irish potatoes, and plum duff. For supper we had fish, hash, beef, pork, white and sweet bread, Irish and sweet potatoes and turner pie. Lat 21.50

Friday 28th This day strong from N.E. Ship reacting. After noon rain. This morning at breakfast we had coffee, sweet cake, pine apple pie, beef, pork, pickles, salmon, Irish and sweet potatoes. For dinner the same excepting fish, with the addition of chicken. For supper tea, pies, cakes, coffee, flippers, whilst such as beef, pork, potatoes, shortcake is invariable on the table. No observation.

Saturday 29th This day fine weather. Ship steering S.W. with all sail set. The watch employed in overhauling blocks. For breakfast coffee, apple pie, sweet cake, salmon, and our other invariable accompaniments. Dinner roast duck, pie and cake. Supper tea, mince pie, sweet cake, pine apple, and fish hash. Lat 23.39. Long 168.15

Sunday 30th Fine weather. Ship steering S.W. with all sail set. Chicken pie and plum duff for dinner, and other preliminaries as heretofore mentioned. Lat 24.24. Long 173.8

Monday 31st This day strong breeze from the south. Ship steering S.W. with all sail out. Lat 24.59

January 1861

Ship Nimrod

Wednesday Jan 1st 1861 New Year commences with fine
pleasant weather. Wind from E. N. E. blowing
a nice whole sail breeze ship steering S. W. by W
per compass. Everything moving in a quiet manner.
Spent a very happy New Year's day and for dinner
had chicken broth roast beef preserved
Mutton stew sweet cake pomtine pie pine apple
pie plum pie. beside our regular confections.

Thursday Jan 2nd This twenty four hours commences with
strong wind from the Eastward ship steering S. E.
with topsails and courses set. The watch employed
in sailoring. Only six months and I hope to be home
how concluding the tide. This sperm whaling is the
most tedious business I know of. Now for instance
here we are almost two months out and have not
seen the spout of a whale I am so tired of this
regular routine that I should be willing to leave
the ground.

Friday Jan 3rd This day strong wind from East ship
steering by the wind tacked ship several times
by the wind. Sun about fifteen minutes high saw
a spout. Supposed it to be a sperm whale con-
sulted three boats but saw it no more.



Latt Log 2883

Long by chron 179.50

Saturday Jan 4th This day begins with strong wind
from S. E. ship stands on an three hour tack.
6 o'clock saw a sperm whale close to the ship.
Sawest three boats and chased until noon
but he had seen the ship and kept his
weather eye. Healed Sunday. Latt 2837
Island in sight Long 17229

Sunday Jan 5th Fine weather ship cruising off
Sunday Island. Saw black fish and various kinds
of whale but no sperm. Made much several
times but it proved to be a false alarm.
Latt 2826

Sunday Jan 6th This day fine pleasant weather ship
heaving South. Sunday Island in sight.
It being Sabbath and nothing to do. Will give the
bill of fare on board the noble ship Nimrod.
Breakfast beef pork potatoes sweet and Irish
soft tack. hash butter sugar coffee and sweet
cake. Dinner potatoes boiled baked and mashed
beef pork onions chicken soup stuffed fowl of
the back species plum cluff plum pie pine apple
pie and sugar cake. and Lemonade. Sunday in
general is a little extra bill of fare. Lat 2806.

Breach Breck

Monday Jan 7th This day rain, wind from N E
Ship Stepping to the S E. After noon
wind N W but light, great quantities
rain - through the day. Saw a breach and
supposed it to be grain seas. No observation

Tuesday Jan 8th This day begins with strong winds from S W
Ship on the port tack under double reef top sails
The watch employed in various duties about ship
one of which was in fixing the outer boardings which
was carried away last night in a squall.
Lat by obs 27.80
Long by obs 178.80

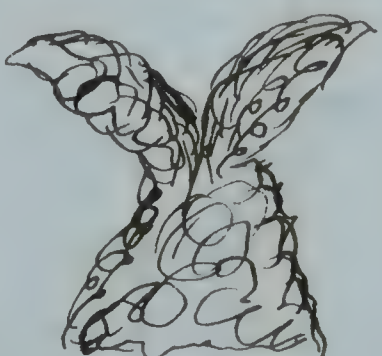
Wednesday Jan 9th Light winds from W N W Ship he-
reline to the South into an uncommon heavy
swell the watch repairing the main seal
Saw a breach but it became dark before
we could come up with it. Lat by obs 27.34

Thursday Jan 10th This day commences with fine weather and ends
with strong wind and rain. Ship Laying too under
reefed top sails This is dull work to this sperm whaling
and the sooner I am done with it the better I sh-
all be suited. I should like to be on my way
home and I should like to have a little more whaling
because this I suppose will be the last of my whaling
and if so I should like to have one or two more chae-
es as a farewell to my last expedition against them

Friday Jan 11th This twenty four hours commences with
rain squalls Ship heeling South under double
reefed top sails This afternoon split the jib and
sent it down. The latter part more moderate

Saturday Jan 12th This day fine weather Ship steering
S E. The Watch employed in mending the jib
This afternoon there was a little excitement
created by fishing for Abalone of which we caught
about fifty pounds. Saw Sunday Island in the
distance. Lat by obs 28.26

Sunday Jan 13th This day commences with beautiful
weather. At daylight raised sperm whales
took coffee and by sunrise had three boats
in the water. And after using all the
care possible for three hours. The whales
perceived us when within one start and a
half from the boat. Now came the tug of
a hard chase. The whales started off fast
and after chasing 6 hours gave them up. Whilst two
of my crew was unable to stand up



Sunday in eight o'clock man used all nerve to keep near them
bearing to the S I think I chased them 20 miles and in that time
S E 20 miles did I rushed into the school three times without success
and after chasing 6 hours gave them up. Whilst two
of my crew was unable to stand up

January

Ship Nimrod

Monday Jan 14th This day calm Sunday Island
in sight 20 miles distance. Saw a breach in
the distance toward four boats and pulled 12
or 14 miles for them which proves to be por-
poise or grampases I am so tired I can hardly
see myself. It seems to be my fate to chase
the fleet going and coming to and fro from the
ship. My boat still keeps the vessel in view
but her luck seems to forsake her. Although
no one seems to have any better but hope
on and keep up the chase

Tuesday Jan 15th This day calm weather Sunday Is.
land in sight from the mast head the watch
at work repairing the main sail. Saw gramp-
ases but they did not fool us to day.
The day ends with indications of a storm. Lat by obs 28.13

Wednesday Jan 16th This day begins with rain squ-
alls ship hanging about Sunday Island. but no whales
to be seen. I wish I had the next chance will
not make me so tame. This hot weather is
hard for the crew of a whale boat. And need
encouragement. And to see the boat hoater
must resort to many stratagems such as person-
ating, hiring, driving, coaxing every thing to call
the last nerve the human form possessed to aid
us on in pursuit of our victim

Thursday Jan 17th This day strong breeze from S E
Ship heading to the N and E until three
o'clock P.M. and after that time on the other
tack. Began to heel the mainsail and bent it
Lat by obs 27.41

Friday Jan 18th This day comes in and goes out with
strong S E wind ship on the port tack in
the first part of the day. Latter part steering
S E spoke the Omega of Good Haven. Capt
Wilson.

Saturday Jan 19th This day strong breeze from S E
Ship heading on the port tack the most part
of the day Sunday Island bearing S E 30
miles distant. Lat by obs 28.58

Sunday Jan 20th This day strong winds from the
Eastward ship heading S E by the
wind spoke and arrived with the ship
Omega of Good Haven

Monday Jan 21st This day wind from
S E ship under double reefed
sails and courses Sunday Island
bearing East 30 miles distant

Summit Island

Tuesday Jan 22nd This day blowing a gale from S E
Ship layme to under close reef main and mizen
top sails and fore topmast stay sail.

Wednesday Jan 23rd This twenty four hours commences with a
strong breeze from S E Ship heading E N E by the wind
under double reef top sails and courses Mast heads maul by
four men but no whales to be seen The watch employed in
breaking out provisions Sat by obs 28.50

Thursday Jan 24th This day fine pleasant weather Ship heading E by S on the
wind with all sail set. The work is nearly run out I can scarcely
find jobs to keep my men busy. There is nothing that keeps a ship's crew
contented and quiet so well as a plenty to do I have had them on work which
is entirely without profit but somewhat unprofitable Sat by obs 28.49
Long by chron 179.41

Friday Jan 25th Commences with strong double reef top sail breeze from S E Ship head-
ing S S W by the wind Saw a breach but could not make out. Six o'clock P M
saw Summit Island bearing W by N. And so ends the day Sat by obs 28.52
Long by Chron 179.36

Saturday 26th Another day is ended and we are no better off than ever as I can
see. But we have had a fine day. Ship steering S W with all sail set
five o'clock P M luffed to the wind and took in sail Summit Island bearing
S by E. 15 miles distant Sat by obs 29.05
Long by Chron 179.51

Sunday Jan 27th This day fine beautiful weather Ship heading S S W
by the wind Summit Island in sight to the Eastward bearing
hard on the beam thirty miles distant Sat by obs 28.49

Monday Jan 28th Fine beautiful weather ship cruising
around Summit Island Wind S E. The full moon is passed and we
have seen no whales and I am almost discouraged. It will not
suit me to stop here much longer. There is no chance to catch fish
where there is none I wish I was bound North once more on this co-
-age and I think I shall leave this ship in Mongonui if there is a ship
bound that way. Although I am well satisfied with this ship and
her master. But the idea of my losing another Northern season is
to perplexin. only season before last I spent in idleness. But this is
musing for I would not recall those idle times for worlds.

Tuesday Jan 29th This day fine weather Ship by the wind heading South on
the port tack. The watch employed in sewing mats
Ship heading South on the wind Sat by obs 28.41

Wednesday Jan 30th Commences and ends with fine beautiful weather
Ship heading South on the wind. This morning Summit Island in
sight bearing South At noon Howland Island bearing S E and at
five o'clock Quaker rocks in sight bearing S E by S Sat by obs 29.45

Thursday Jan 31st As each yesterday so begins and ends this day
Ship steering S S W Sat by obs 28.51
Long by Chron 179.28

Ship Nimrod

February Commences with us, in Lat 31.20 Long 179.25 E

Sunday Feb 1st Begins with fine weather Ship heading S by W with all sail set. Wind from S.E. Ship lying with main top sail to the east at right. Saw only one whale of 8000 lbs since in this vicinity.

Tuesday Feb 2nd Commences with a strong breeze from E.S.E. Ship heading N.E. with reefed top sails courses and jib. The watch employed in breaking and pounding. It is hard work. The lead line ground with out any oil. Still lying in water remain out. See others say whilst we are one that slips & tells us that Cape Horn is visible near its winter when nights are long weather cold and winds high. But whales whales we want whales and our other danger is forgotten when the least possible chance of meeting the sperm whale arises which is that we are passing them the whale.

Wednesday Feb 3rd Commences with a strong wind from the same quarter. Ship cruising off French rock under single reefed top sails. Saw three vessels spoke and jammed with the barque Pioneer with nothing this cruise French or hope rock in sight. I do not know why it is called hope rock for I have no hope of getting whales on this ground. But still there is a chance. Lat by obs 31.11 Long by chron 179.28

Thursday Feb 4th This day as usual a strong S.E. wind Ship heading off and on French rock. At night under light sail. The top sail in the distant vision at sun down. Lat by obs 31.18

Friday Feb 5th This day fine weather ship cruising about French rock. Saw another rock bearing N.W. by compass from French rock. It was a trifling below the surface of the water and had the appearance of a whale breaching in the distance. Lat by obs 31.18 with the rock bearing North one and a half miles.

Saturday Feb 6th Commences with fine weather ship on the starboard tack. The watch P.M. 10.00 Ship heading South with all sail set French rock bearing S.E. four miles distant. Lat by obs 31.45

Sunday Feb 7th This day begins and ends with fine weather. Ship heading South with all sail. Wind light from East. Lat by obs 33.02

Monday Feb 8th This day begins and ends with a flat calm. Lat 33.46

Tuesday February 9th Commences with fine weather. Ship heading S.S.W. on the starboard tack. Wind light from the westward. The watch employed, or at least I employed in trying to keep them doing something. I think it is almost time to be off to look for employment as there is but little left here and whales are few and far between.

Meridian Trawl

In Lat 34 23 South. On and near the meridian

Sunday Feb 10th This day commences with a dead calm and ends the same. This afternoon caught a turtle and a large shark also Sport without profit
Lat 34.2315'

Monday Feb 11th This day blowing a whole sail breeze from N N E Ship heading S W under all sail This morning pressed our turtle. Its weight is about three hundred pounds. So all on board it is an unknown species and is of a dark color with light spots upon its shell. It has an ugly looking mouth but did not exert himself to use it. I suppose we shall have some turtle soup as the custom among whalers is to eat all which is not poison
Lat by obs 33.50

Tuesday Feb 12th It is about four hours begins and ends with fine weather. Wind S W Ship heading S W under all sail. Turtle soup was on the dock this noon And was very good they say. But as for my own part I choose salt pork as a choise. before an unknown sea monster. If it had been a whale I could have eaten half a one with my present appetite. O what a cruise this is. nearly four months out and no whales yet and no indications of any. If this is the Southern whaling I for one have had enough of it all ready. One day follows another without any change in the scenery. Which would be well if the scenery was good. But it is so monotonous this one thing over and over and over and over I turn out every morning at five o'clock when commence the different acts which is to be performed. 1st act is to make sail 2nd men the mast heads 3rd men wash down the decks. 4th have a cup of coffee and stand around untill breakfast 6th have breakfast. 7th come on deck and call the watch. They come on deck and as there is not much going on at present they stand about untill noon. unless to work ship or some trifling job. I usually spend three or four hours at the mast head. in hopes a stray whale should be crossing through these parts and pause to catch a little fresh air. And so the day drags off and supper comes and is eaten which leaves an hour or two to be killed before turn in time arrives. Which is usually made away with by an argument or some conversation between myself and Capt. Flower. Then the third or second mate takes charge for the night relieving each other every four hours. Whilst Capt & myself keep our night watch between the blankets and wait for another day which is sure to be as unwholesome as the one gone before.
Lat by obs 33 235'
Long Chron 177. 04 E

Wednesday Feb 13th This day fine breeze from W N W Ship heading South west by the wind spoke the Barque Elizabeth Swift of New Bedford Ship on the opposite tack through the night Expecting to see land tomorrow
Lat by obs 33.58

North Cape of New Zealand

Land not in sight at present

Thursday Feb 14th. This twenty four hours commences with thick mist wet weather and ends the same. Every thing seems dull in this part of the globe. At night when I get down to mark the departure of another day I feel conscious that there is one day less for me to journey through this hard life. But still I would not call back the the hours which are now passing. For the end which I am struggling on to reach is surely in the future. At present I live not for the present. But I am permitted to believe that the time is near at hand when the present shall be a cherished pleasure. And every moment shall pass with regret that each one would hurry a thousand years. Even if every moment in twenty years was erected me a thousand years each I should only have 363240000 years to live and there would be an end. Could man be permitted to enter the eternal world with all or the one object which makes this world so much precious to him. What a glorious happy future would be before us. But no here we are for a few short years. A few faint hopes. Many hard struggles. One shadow of bliss and all is over and the grave receives us and we pass out into the great planes of misty mysteries.

(No observation)

Friday Feb 15th. And another day has flown upon the wings of time without changing the position of our Ocean home. For this day's work we are no nearer home no further from home. No nearer port and no further from port. Neither have we any more whales or hopes of having any. With the exception of being one day older we stand almost without any alteration. But to many to many it has been great chance. Some perhaps have won a fortune in this one day. Whilst others perhaps have seen the last sparks of hope withered and clinched and finally on this day it has given one glowing glimmer and gone forever. Some perhaps to day have won laurels of honor and worldly glory. Others perhaps have seen their dearest friends laid in the dreadest tomb. Or heard the harsh rattling of the graven as it fell upon the coffin of loved ones. O what a change is possible in one day. I said there was no change with me. But it is not impossible that there has been changes even this day which will affect my future career materially. But I will hope for the best. And that this day will bring my friends great joy. Although to me it has been a equally wet day with frequent spells of sunshine.

Last Log 33.88.5
Long 174.57.0

Ship Nimrod

North Cape of New Zealand

Saturday Feb 16th This day begins with squally weather ship heading to the Southward with all sail out. Saw a ship in the distance. This afternoon fine weather. Five o'clock heaved ship.
Leit by obs 34.64
Long by chron 174.29

Sunday Feb 17th This day light winds and calm ship heading to the S. & W. Saw a ship about three miles off with the American ensign at her main peak.
Lat by obs 34.10
Long by chron 174.41

Monday Feb 18th This day fine weather with a light breeze from the Eastward ship steering to the Westward. Saw land bearing South.
Lat by obs 34.26
Long by chron 174.08

Tuesday Feb 19th This week four hours commences with fine weather ship steering starboard the wind heading S.W. Land in sight bearing from S.W. to S.E. Discovered spoke the barque Done and engaged some oil on fruit. At half past two o'clock we swung off for the bay of Solomons and came to anchor at 7 o'clock P.M. in 5 fathoms of water 25 fathoms of cable out. There is 7 ships of us now lying in this port. This is a beautiful bay large and contains within its limits an hundred islands. The town at present is not extensive it having been burnt by the natives in time of war, but it is going up again. Things are now in another dubious condition as war is declared and is now going on. Surprises at night are frequent where men women and children are massacred without mercy. And the English are as cruel on the other side.

Wednesday Feb 20th This day fine weather ship lying at anchor in the bay of Solomons. All hands employed in breaking out the after hatch and preparing to take in freight from the Barque Done of Fairhaven. This is one of the finest climates in the world and to all appearance it should be a very productive country and it is so called. But fruit is not over plenty. There is peaches in abundance and of an extra quality. Apples are scarce and of an inferior kind, and there is also a berry something like the gooseberry, which is the only fruit I have yet seen. This being the second time I have visited this country. Peacocks are very plentiful and of the best quality. There does not appear to be much till in the soil at present. A canoe of natives came along side to day. But I only one to come on deck which was quite enough. They are a barbarous race and once eat human flesh and I believe it not to be disgusting to them even now. They have their faces tattooed with blue stripes running around their mouths and wear shark's teeth in their ears which they prize very highly.

Boat of Islands

Thursday Feb 21st This day has been fine and pleasant. All hands employed in taking in freight from the B. Zone of Fair Haven. The twenty first is the twenty second here and also on board of the other ships now laying in this port. And the rattling of cannon and the display of flags reminds us that the immortal Washington was born on the 22nd of February. It seems strange to see Washington's birth day hailed with such applause in an English port. But they joined in with the same enthusiasm as did the Americans. Three ensigns floated upon the breeze from the Nimrods masts heads. But I could not spare time to be idle. I have had port enough already and long to be at sea. What an uneasy object of humanity I am. It would be a pity if I should become a miser. I never valued money one fiftieth part as much as at present. Every whale that swims looks to me as solid gold. A young man applied to me for a situation for his sister, as mistress of my wardrobe, whilst laying in port. He describes her as being a nice pretty girl of seventeen who has lately finished her education at a boarding school in Auckland. He went off very much displeased when I informed him that I allowed no women on board whilst I had charge. They come alongside every day in hopes of obtaining leave to come on board. But they will soon come to the conclusion of the impossibility. I hope for I am provoked to death with them.

Friday Feb 22 This day commences with fine weather. Ship still laying at anchor, as before mentioned. All hands employed in taking oil from the Zone.

Saturday Feb 23rd This day fine weather. Fine watch on liberty. We keep this day as usual in accordance with the time of this place.

Sunday Feb 24th Fine pleasant weather. Ship laying at anchor in five fathoms of water with twenty five fathoms of chain out. The watch employed in taking in freight and rapping off water.

Monday Feb 25 This day fine weather. The crew busily employed in taking in freight from the D. Zone of Elizabeth Swift of Bedford. and a gang on shore filling water barrels on board a large supply of potatoes. To night the natives gave a grand banquet on shore. and I am the only one that is not there. I have several special invitations. But I have other fish to fry. Besides money costs too much to spend there. This morning I went in for a speculation, and bought ten pounds worth of fish, to night I sold it for ten cents profit on a pound!

Russels Bay of Islands

Tuesday Feb 26th This day begins with fine weather Ship
laying as before mentioned The crew employed in stor-
ing down. Finished taking freight and took on board
a large raft of water

Wednesday Feb 27th This day commences and ends
with fine weather. All hands employed in
stowing water Also filling a raft on shore
one hand cleaning the outside of the ship and
another gang shooling casks

Thursday Feb 28th This day commences and ends with fine
weather one watch on liberty The other stowing
water

Friday March 1st This day commences with light breezes
Break of day took the anchor and worked out
of the bay. Capt Howes came on board and we left New
Zealand never again to land my foot upon that
barbarous Isle Capt Baker and wife of the Barque Wm
Sifford also came on board with our shipper and spent
a good part of the day. after which they went on
board of their own craft and we ran off E & S E
in company. Wind strong from S W Ship under
double reef topsails and fore sail

Saturday This day commences with strong wind
from from the South and ends with light
verbles winds Spoke the Wm Sifford and board-
ed her. Also sold her a quantity of goods
among which was a whale boat The watch em-
ployed in running ship. No observation

Sunday March 2nd This day strong breeze from West
Ship heading E & S until 4 P.M. when we hauled
up East The Wm Sifford in sight off the
beam. Everything is nearly right and in its old
routine after leaving port and now I am sure
of going home if no accident does occur to prevent
I have had a spell of the blue devils lately
about making so short a voyage. But may it
woud be best for me to console myself to in-
fer the ruler at my distant which has been
a hard master to me for the last few years.
What shall I do for contentment. Now worthless
is life to such as me if in the future there is
no improvement. Alas I never live to see
twenty nine years to come if it is to be grazed
out in like manner to those which have passed

Lat by obs 34 14 S

Long by chron 176 34 E

Marician Tournal

Monday March 4th This day strong breeze from S.W. ship steering E. This afternoon wet the oil, pumped the oil, and saw no oil on the water. No observation

Tuesday March 5th Commences with strong variable winds and rain squalls. Looked out pumps and cleared the well. Saw nothing, and did not expect too. Now as I am positively bound home I look long and hard for whales. But whilst my eyes are roaming, my mind is far away at the end of four months when that blessed car which carried me sorrowfully from home shall carry me back merry. Lat by obs 33.55

Wednesday March 6th Commences with heavy weather. Ship ship nothing but ship. Well then the ship starting to the northward until ten A.M. at which time we tack to the S.E. Three sail in sight. This evening spoke the weather ship, or the ship Junior. They have not seen whales for an age. This is a hard look. My influence will be for home ward soon unless things look more lively on this ground. It is doubtful whether we could reach there before the fourth of July if we started right away.

Lat by obs 33.48 S

Long by chron 179.50 W

Thursday March 7th This day light winds with thick and wet weather. Made a new jumper for the fling jib boom also met hole. Saw two ships one of them cutting. Lat by obs 33.59

Friday March 8th This day commences with foggy which continued until 8 A.M. Cleared off at that time. Saw two sails. Wind from S.W. Ship cruising first one back, a barrel and then the other. 5 o'clock P.M. towed the boats for black rig. but caught nothing. Lat by obs 34.10

Long by chron 179.02 W

Saturday March 9th This day commences with a light breeze from E.S. Even then with strong breezes and squalls from the same quarter. Spoke and had a general gunn with the Wm. Eifford and the Barge waver. Exchanged our former Steward for a man from on board the Barge Wm. Eifford. Good change that a nigger for a white man.

Lat by obs 33.50

Marckian Journal

Sunday March 10th Commences with strong breeze from ESE. This forenoon ship heading to the Southward after noon to the SE. too sail in sight. At night under light sail. O for a whale for a whale. It will be useless to think of leaving here without one. Let us see what this week will do.
Lat by obs 33 42
Long by chron 178 55 W

Monday March 11th This day commences with strong breeze from the East. Ship sometimes running off and sometimes on the wind under topsails and courses. The watch employed in wetting oil and repairing sails. Now I have done writing this one thing over and over every day so tomorrow I shall write like this. Saw whales lowered the boats and caught one two or three or I shall know better how many tomorrow night. O thunder thunder what a life to live.
Lat by obs 33.12
Long by chron 178 55

Tuesday March 12th Commences with fine weather. Ship cruising off and on the marckian ground. Every thing set that will pull a pound driving her over the longest distance possible. But those whales whales whales I could not find them. Now after this I shall not respect to find any. So day we have run off beat up and made long tacks one way and the other but of no use. Our time is short and unless the gods reward our persecutions we shall leave with rusty lances. I confess that I am rather sceptical for I have never seen the East of war or the East of the sea. Therefore I have never called in either those or any other. But now I am almost persuaded that there is a whaling God who rules with a mighty will and gives not both the just and unjust. A destination I have yet to learn. But give me a couple hundred more and I will leave my dominions for a period if not forever.
Lat by obs 34.02
Long by chron 178 28

Wednesday March 13th This day fine beautiful weather with a fine beautiful breeze from the Eastward. Ship tracking about as usual. First one way and then another. Looking for something to wreck on. Blows burst or oil burst. vengeance upon. So about six o'clock P.M. we raised a school of killers. Lowered four boats and gave chase but the ungrateful wretches evaded all our schemes and speed. I had my harpooner on his feet several times but all in vain. There was a bum lance in the crowd but they could not get it off. There is always something the matter with them guns when they are needed. Give me the old hevel lance which and with a good hand to guide it and it is always sure fire. Never too wet or too dry but ever ready. However we chased those bloody killers until it was so dark we could hardly see the ship.
Lat by obs 33.09
Long by chron 178 40

Ship Nimrod of New Bedford

Thursday March 14th This day commences with calm weather, and ends with moderate breeze from the Eastward. Spoke and gamet with the barke waving Lat by obs 38.27

Friday March 15th begins with a whole sail breeze from S. E. Ship heaving to the northward and westward. Latter part strong breezes from the same quarter with rain Spoke and gamet with the ship Japan No observation

Saturday 16th This day commences with a gale from the S. E. Ship on the starboard tack under close reef main to sail main Spencer and fore top mast stay sail Latter part quite moderate with rain No observation

Sunday March 17th This day commences with a gale from the S. E. Ship on 6 point tack under close reef fore and main and close reef main top sails main Spencer and fore top mast stay sail No observation

Monday March 18th Who is the man that would not give a farm to come whaling. Or who that has never been on one of these pleasant voyages, can imagine the unalloyed bliss derived inside of our old blubber hunter. Day in day out week in and week out, year in and year out, and then what. And the same thing again. Well what. Well nothing positively nothing excepting it may be called something to the ever viewing sky and water. Sky and water. Ship and that was for which you may it is sky and water. This becomes an old story and I for one become tired of it. And some times feel cross when a. Course every buck does not suit him. Then what. Well stand clear. Character and lightning I threatened a man this morning and now I nearly feel sorrowful for doing so. But the same time perhaps it will be the means of making a good man of him. But it is neck or nothing with some men and go means or come means come here. All first voyage I thought the mate was an infamous tyrant and I suppose he was. And he lived until his time was up, and so he died as others do sometimes. Weather squally with strong winds ship under close reef top sails. Sent down the old main top sail yard and put a new one in its place. 50

Meridian Ground

Tuesday March 19th This day commences with strong winds from S. S. ship heaving S. S. W. under double reef topsails and fore sail. The writer employed in repairing the main spencer also cut the sail smaller and shortened the gaff one gang wetting the sail. This is a busy time with us at present. We are preparing the old box for a thundering barrel time which is expected off Cape Horn. And still we are waiting to take our whale. And if we cannot find one until after the full moon we shall put off without one. Lat by obs 32.65. S Long by chron 179.48. E

Wednesday March 20th This day light winds from S. S. ship by the wind with all sail out sent in the fore topsail and cut it smaller. Preparing for Cape Horn also commenced fitting a new main bar of the old one being sprungs. Chamber and and and and. O. M. W. I. should like to see whales once more before leaving this ground. And then if we could not catch one we would go without one. We will give them a few days more to evade us and then we will go off for home. This sperm whaling is not suited to my lance. It being so much the same thing from one year end to another. seldom seeing whales. What right whaling is is always lively and there is no whales about the vicinity of the ship we can go in search of them with the boats. Lat by obs 31.58 S Long by chron 179.25 W

Thursday March 21st This day commences with light breezes from S. S. ship on the port tack. Latter part veritable winds with squalls of rain. All hands on deck employed in heaving up a new main bar of the old being badly rotten beside being sprung. This is our last new spar and we are now very well prepared to stand rough weather. A few more little jobs and so for Cape Horn. That whale is for long time coming but I do not despair by no means. I am almost tired of thinking about whales and it is time to turn my mind on some other subject. Cowen home is almost forgotten for the urgent anxiety of catching whales where there is no one. There I will not expect to see any and then I shall not be disappointed. Lat by obs 32. French rock in sight

Ship Annals N B

Friday March 22nd This day fine weather with light variable winds ship off 3 reg. of Loch Spoke and board at the ship Herald of Beethford Lat 50° 51.37

Saturday " 23rd This day strong winds from S E ship heading to the southward with all sail out. The watch employed in rearing new lampars to the mizen rigging 4 o'clock. Lacked ship and once took in light sails. Received letters from the Herald to the N. S. A. Mieselle and latter part under light sail

Sunday March 24th Commences met ends with wind from S E ship first on one tack and then on the other. Saw French rock bearing N N E. 16 miles distant. Bree more day and then if we see no whales we shall turn towards home. The Sabbath day at sea is one of the loneliest days of the week and the other loneliest ones are Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday and Saturday. There is no material difference in the above mentioned days as for monotony. So it is plain to be seen that our merry days are few and far between. Lat 50° 51.56 Long 179° 05' W

Monday March 25th The weather continues the same ship under double reef sails. The watch employed in making every thing fast for the passage of Cape Horn

Tuesday March 26th This day fine pleasant weather ship on the port tack. Wind from N E. Made a new set of caskets for the ship through out also bent a strong fore and main topsail and foresail. Serious weather apprehended off the Cape. Well this cruise is near up and we are going away without an oil but what the devil is the difference it is all in life which must be filled out with different events either good or bad. But this oil business has been the only drawback to a pleasant cruise. Last season we took quite a number of oils and our crew back to a pleasant cruise was drunkenness and contention on board ship

Lat 50° 53.54
Long 178° 40.2

Passage from N Zealand to Cape Horn

Wednesday March 27th This day strong breezes from North ship steering S.E. with all sail. Weather thick and rainy. The employment of the day consisted in securing every thing for heavy weather.

High way and over the sea, crest foam
Our gallant ship is rolling home

Thursday March 28th This day begins with fine weather. Wind strong from S.W. Ship steering S.E. with all sail out. The watch employed in reeving, running, rigging. Also took in the bow boat, and made a deep sea line. Contrary to my expectation I find myself bound on the passage home, after an absence of only 20 months. There seems to be a mysterious attraction drawing me that way.

Fog is burning through a mist of gloom
Of a wanderer now on the deep
Our sails are spread on our course home
Blest on though all should sleep

Lat 36 14
Long 175 55

Friday March 29th This day fine weather with strong breezes from S.W. Ship steering S.E. by E. with every rag spread to the wind. Onward she flies as if conscious of going to her native land. It seems almost a pious bliss to realise that we are homeward bound. Surely I cannot complain to be thus recompensed for the lonely hours which have passed since I left my all which seems to bind me to the land of the pilgrims, which have passed away and which is now occupied by angels. Last night I saw one of the fairest of them all and although it was only a dream yet the seeming reality has left a deep and sweet impression upon my mind. I have in dreams often seen the same person which has irreverently been in her native land. But last night she visited me though in a coffin. I thought I felt it move, lay, and many times I lifted the lid to look upon and mourn over the last remains of my cherished one and my last hopes in future life which seemed dead forever. Though I knew the impossibility of recalling her back to me yet still I hoped and tried to plan some way of calling her back. And as day after day looked upon her I noticed she changed not. But that the same fresh look as when living and I tried to believe that she was only sleeping. But as there was no indication of life I was told that she must be consigned to her last resting place. And when I raised the lid of the coffin to take one last look I was covered with motion in her features. O what power that last hope gave I burst off the coffin lid and raised her in my arms. Her form seemed wasted to a mere child. And when she told me that she was yet alive my joy knew no bounds and in my haste to bring her whatever she desired I awoke and found myself in Lat 38 21 Long 175 57

Ship Timor

Saturday March 30th This day commences
and ends with a strong breeze
with heavy squalls from the
west-north-east. Ship steering East
under single reef main top sail
and fore sail Lat 40 26
Long 160 11 04

Sunday March 31st This day fine weather Ship
steering East with all sail spread
- act. I met this ends the month of March
1861 Two years to day I was in the Atlantic
ocean and one year ago I was on the
Island of Maui. And fate only know
when March 1862 will find me. time wi-
-ll deal it. This is a hard world
and I believe this to be the most loath-
-some avocation therein Lat 40 51
Long 160 8 17

Monday April 1st This twenty four hours commences
with strong breezes from W N W
Ship steering East with a heavy press
of canvas to the gale The watch employ
ed in wetting the sail to this is all fool's
day I thought I would be a fool and leave
off using tobacco and now I feel as
cross and hungry as a dog although I
have eaten a hearty supper Lat 41 14
Long 160 50

Tuesday April 2nd This day lonesome as the devil Ship
steering along slowly The watch employees
in clearing out the pump well The squ-
- time of a passage has begun. Day after
day spacing up and down the decks now
and taking a peep to the windward to
prospect upon the weather. Some times
an agreeable conversation occurs between me
and my superior. But that often turns
an argument and ends in a dispute
Then a few days elapses with long
strokes up and down the deck and feed words
Lat 41 42 Long 161 16 54

From Lee Island to the Cape

Wednesday April 3rd This day wind from the Northward
Ship sailing to the East with all
sail out. The watch clearing out the junk
well, also wet the oil.

Lat 42.06
Long 158.10

Thursday Apr 4th

This day Commences with fine
weather. Ship East with all
sail out. Once there was a time in
a line. But there is a time out of time and
also in. (Time) So I guess I will go to my
State room and read and see if it is
if what. O nothing only I think I am almost
insane to night. Myself and Skipper
is rather out of sorts and that is a
new thing for us. But never mind we
cannot. We shall be right and have our way.
I suppose I shall have to give over but it
will be after the voyage is up and I
am clear. The fact of the business is
he believes in using a great boat of words
in keeping order on board ship and I believe
in using the boat more and less
tongue. I tell him my way works
to a charm. But he wants me to give
him the preference.

Lat 42.45

Long 154.59

Friday Apr 5th This day wind from N.E. Ship on the
port tack with all sail out.
Sent down the Messen topgall
- at sail and stowed it away.

Saturday Apr 6th This day commences with damp
weather. Wind from the East
Ship on the port tack under all
sail at the main and double
reef fore and mizen. This is
quite interesting to see our warm
weather birds all crawl up with
the cold. Capt. Bowes is in rather
disagreeable climate for him. I should
judge by the way he is shivering and
chattering. But this is my favorite
element. I feel ten times the more
like a man in this weather
than when I am nearly suffocated
in a warm climate.

Lat 43.56

Long 153.48

Ship Annals of N Bedford

Sunday Apr 7th This day squally with a strong breeze from E & S by S on the port tack under double reefed topsails and courses. Capt. Howes employed in capturing Albatross ones holding his log cup for them to nip. The Albatross abound here in great numbers. There is also several other kinds of birds which live at sea many miles from land. The Albatross is the largest there is one on deck now which measures 18 ft from one tip of the wing to the other. Lat by obs 42.52

Monday Apr 8th This day strong breeze from S. S. E. Ship heaving to the Eastward under double reefed topsails. The crew employed in wetting the oil. Lat by obs 42.14 Long by chron 148.40

Tuesday Apr 9th This day commences with strong breezes from S & S by S heaving to the Starboard tack with all sail out. Lat by obs 41.58

Wednesday Apr 10th This day fine pleasant weather. Wind dead ahead ship working to the Eastward with all sail out. This is rather a bad look the wind setting ahead on the N & N

Thursday Apr 11th This day commences with fine weather ship heaving to the Eastward with all sail out. The watch employed in breaking out provisions. Lat by obs 40.56

Friday Apr 12th This day commences and ends with fine weather. Last night the ship was struck by a heavy squall, hauling at the same time from N to W. in the strait we split the jib and set it into smother-ecens. and to day we have bent a new one. Capt. Howes is busily making me a writing desk but I hardly believe it will arrive at completion this voyage. Lat by obs 41.34 Long by chron 151.28

Bound from A'ualani to Cape Horn

Saturday Apr 13th This day blowing a heavy gale from the westward. Ship staggering to the East beach before the wind with Double reef fore and main topsail and fore sail. One hour to day I sailed in the ship Enphrates Bound to the Ochotsk sea and I wish to day I was on my way to the same sea I own tired of this bloody cruise
Lat by Obs 46 51

Sunday 14th This day blowing a gale from the west. Ship Steering E with fore and main top galleant sails out. No business on hand except sailing and working the ship when needed. Ever look still and soft I suppose they like myself are thinking of home
Lat by Obs 42.09

Monday Apr 15 This Twenty Four hours commencing with strong breezes from W N W ship steering East with full sail out. The watch employed in mending the oil and pumping ship etc
Lat by Obs 42 32

Long 182 56

Tuesday Apr 16 A Strong breeze from W N W ship steering East with full sail out. Capt Glover is rather indisposed with the salt's cause to be an argument which occurred between myself and the said Capt. In argument where in the found truth plainer than fiction. Surely it was plainer if not stranger
Lat by Obs 48 45

Wednesday Apr 17th This day commences with a strong gale from the westward ship steering East with a heavy press of sail was exposed to the gale. Capt Glover got the salt's I do not know how he and me have lived together over five months without disagreeing and only now to become disagreeable to each other on the slightest occasion. He owns himself that he has had the game of being a tyrant. But he will find that he is rather a disagreeable billet under the pleasant administration. But it is hoped that things will remain quiet what few weeks we have to live together
Lat 43 26
Long 123.25

Ship Timrod of New Bedford

Thursday Apr 18th This day commences with strong
breezes from N.E. ship on the port tack with
all sail out. sober times nobody speaks to nobody and
nobody says anything to any body. Lat by obs 44.28
Long by chron 120.11

Friday Apr 19th This twenty four hours commences and ends
with wind from N.E. ship on the port tack
I suppose without an exception I am the most
unequal man this contains. However I suppose without
I shall have to content myself some way or other
untill this passage is up. This afternoon the old
man caught an albatross and a like a Samphool man
let him that is the albatross to take hold of my
hunch. but now I have a nice looking hen
the skin is entirely striped off of my thumb
Lat by obs 45.54

Saturday Apr 20th This twenty four hours commences and ends
with calm weather ship heading all round the
compass. What stream I have lately. Last night I
saw two brothers dead and prepared for the
grave. I thought it was not to be so. The
stagnated blood from their bodies before
they were consigned to their last resting place
But I refusing to comply with the like proceeding
and arguing the point to justify myself for refusing
to perform the mandate. I awake and so cleared
myself from any operation which in my opinion
was not ship shape. This forenoon I had another
vision I thought I retired to a grave yard to
take a long farewell of my sister. And in
reality I never felt more sorrowful in my
life. But after many regrets that we must part
and pledging myself to listen to some good advice
which she gave me we separated. After which
I pledged myself though all others should forsake
her yet I would not. And though her tombstone
should be beaten down by aught yet I would give
it in token of my unchangeable regard. And not
untill oblivion should roll over my own name
should hers be effaced from that ever cherish
ed memory of blissful days which still live in the
happy past.
Lat by obs 46.19

Sunday Apr 21st This day commences with a heavy
rain storm from N.E. and ends with a
breezy wind from S.W. ship on
the starboard tack. Lat by obs 46.19
Long by chron 120.11

Passage from New Zealand to E Horn

Monday Apr 22nd This day having a strong breeze from the westward ship steering East with double reef fore and single reef main topsail. Last night a heavy sea and store the bulwarks, breast & lower Enchels
Lat 47.12
Long 118 50

Tuesday Apr 23rd This day commences with a strong gale from S.W. ship steering E. by S. with main top and tent sail out.
Lat 47.39
Long 108.00

Wednesday Apr 24th This day our voyage commences with equally weather. Wind from S.W. ship heading E. by S. with a main top gallant sail set above a single reefed topsail. The watch employed in setting the oil, pumping ship &c.
Lat 48.47
Long 104.39

Thursday Apr 25th This day commences with strong southerly winds with heavy squalls ship under double reefed topsails and courses. Wind from S.W. increasing to a main top sail and main top sail.
Lat 50.06
Long 100.50

Friday Apr 26th This day commences with good weather. Ship steering E. by S. ahead before the wind with all sail out.

Saturday Apr 27th This day commences with more brisk breezes from S.W. ship steering E. by S. with all sail out.
Lat 52.28
Long 94.64

Sunday Apr 28th This day more brisk breezes from the southward ship steering as usual. weather sail according to wind and weather.

Monday Apr 29th This day light air from S.W. ship steering as usual. weather sail according to wind and weather.

Tuesday April 30th This day strong breeze from S.W. ship steering as usual. weather sail according to wind and weather. This unusual fact as seen for the first time. Calm & light air of sail &c.

Lat 51° 17' 00" Long 13° 17' 00"

Monday May 1st This morning four hours, commencing with light breeze from S. S. ship on the port tack, under double reefed sails, with the old sails put on and the ship about like a cork, with the sails set off.

Lat 50° 30' 00" Long 13° 00' 00"

Tuesday May 2nd This day commencing with a calm sea.

Lat 50° 11' 00" Long 12° 25' 00"

Wednesday May 3rd This day moderate breeze from the Northward, ship steering East, with the sails spread to the breeze. Lat 50° 00' 00" Long 12° 00' 00"

Thursday May 4th This day we have all kinds of weather, with a light breeze from the Northward, with the sails spread, light and strong breeze from the S. W. and now remains ship steering E. N. E. with main top gallant sent out.

Lat 50° 00' 00" Long 12° 00' 00"

Friday May 5th This day light breeze from the Northward, ship on the port tack, steering E. N. E. with all sail out.

Lat 50° 53' 00"

Long 13° 00' 00"

Saturday May 6th This couple hours of hours commences with light breeze and rain from the north and ends with moderate winds from N. W. ship steering N. E. with all sail out.

Lat 50° 58' 00"

Long 13° 00' 00"

Sunday May 7th This day strong breeze from N. W. ship on the port tack with main top gallant out. I suppose we are in the Atlantic according to our calculation by dead reckoning we pass Cape Horn sometime this fore noon. I sail in sight. The first time of this busy world for some time. Since we left French rock, which is some 6 or 7 thousand miles in the direction of our wake.

Monday May 8th This day blowing a gale from N. W. ship on the port tack under double reefed sails, not fore sail. One sail in sight.

Lat 56° 45' 00"

Long 60° 50' 00"

Passage from Cape Horn to Bedford

Thursday May 9th This day blowing a heavy gale from N. W. ship on the port tack with all sail out under balanced sails No obs

Friday May 10th This day fine weather Sun. one hour and five minutes above the horizon at twelve o'clock ship steering N. E. with all sail out Cape Horn is trying to put on a most gracious smile at our departure. But it is all trash. For I know how treacherous the weather contractors are in this region and as soon as ~~the~~ unmentionables are down they are upon him without notice

Saturday May 11th This day begins with moderate breeze from N. W. ship on the port tack with all sail out This morning caught a porpoise.

Sunday May 12th This twenty four hours commences and ends as the day preceeding it
Lat 54 38
Long 54 30

Monday May 13th This twenty four hours begins with a gale from the Northward ship on the starboard tack under close reefed topsails
Lat 54 33
Long 56 12

Tuesday May 14th This day commences with a gale from the northward ship laying too under close reefed main topsail. This morning the wheel got away from the helmsman and back mangled another of the foremast hands. by the name of Mr. [unclear]
Observation not taken

Wednesday May 15th This day begins and ends with light breezes from S. E. W. ship trying to get on the beam. Discovered that our anchor had heart and is sprung. I wonder what next. This afternoon made an effort to put some bars around it and sail on sight
Lat 52 36
Long 48 06

Ship Nimrod of New Bedford

Thursday May 16th This twenty four hours commences with strong gale from the southward and westward ship steers N. by W. half W. with all the sail she can stand under the old hooker is well pointed for Jamkee Land

Sat by obs 56 09
Long Chron 48 26
Long Sun & Moon 48 14
Second obs " " 48 22
Long Moon & Saturn 48 30

Friday May 17th Commences with a gale from N. W. ship in the port under close reefed main top sail. This afternoon split the main sail and parted the fore tack. Latter part raining.

Saturday May 18th This day begins and ends with a heavy gale from S. W. Ship running off N. by E. under close reefed main top sail. Ship's deck is flooded continually. Thunder & lightning. Nothing but whole hanters of foam rolling one upon another 4 o'clock P. M. come to on the port tack. The old Nimrod done well for her but she could stand but little more

Sat by obs 47 28
Long Chron 46 30

Sunday May 19th This twenty four hours commences with a gale from S. W. Ship steering N. by W. and N. by E. with a heavy press of canvass. This afternoon pumped off and found her making water considerable faster then usual. If we had another cape horn to pass I think we should want repairs first. We have trusted hell out of her as it is. Leaking and her rudder head standing seven cups for Sunday. Whist her top bumper is decorated fore and aft with irish penants. The mainsail is furled with out a foot rope. The fore top sail and top sail gear is folding on with three threads. Our spare jib in the sail house without any bolt rope. The only main top gallant sail on the yard end of it. Altho we can count the stars through it. And upon the whole I think unless we have some better weather soon we shall be entirely disabled

Sat by obs 45 56
Long 45 30

River Plate

Monday May 20th This day light verible winds
and finely settled to the Eastward ship steer-
ing North with all sail out. The watch employed
in making the oil sending in and out boats, some to be
repaired, and some in fitting for whaling. Since we came
into ball latitudes I took the 1 watch to head boat
on deck and below. Our third mate being inexperienced
-1. This morning I gave it up, and I think there was
some sour looking faces among the crew, when they found
that it was to be with them all day. Poor fellows
they have had an easy time since I commenced to stand
a watch. I do not see how it is that I never saw
or mate volunteer to leave his berth to stand a watch.
But I did not feel right to lay sleeping whilst the
ship was flattening to pieces all for the want of
somebody to head the work that had done so before.
But the devil thank me for nobodies else will.

Lat 43 08

Long by moon & Jupiter 46 20

Tuesday May 21st Commences with light winds from
the East. Ship steering North with all sail
out. Latter part verible winds, with squer-
ls and rain. Lat by chron alt 41.53

Wednesday May 22nd Commences with a fine
day weather. Ship working to the North
under double reefed topsails. Set the
foreboat on the crews. our last misfor-
tune has come upon us. We have lost thirty five
barrels of fresh water, and to day we have
rigged every thing requisite of gathering rain
No 2 & 3

Thursday May 23rd This day commences with strong
winds from the S.W. Ship steering N.N.E with
main & gallant sail out. As the day advanced the
wind increased, and by 10 o'clock it was blowing
a perfect gale. Still the Nimrod is pointed
somewhat with her lee rail under water and
sometimes the weather rail. The old craft is
snapping and cracking with every thing afloat
on deck, but whilst the wind is fresh we
will twist hell out of her. Lat 46 14
Long by chron 48 15

Friday May 24th This day blowing a perfect gale
from the S.W. Run the ship until 5 o'clock
-1 PM at which time there must have
been a fresh gale at the bottom. And
we could not attempt to go on. So come
too on the first track. Lat 48 15
Long by chron 41 24

Ship Nimrod of N

~~Saturday~~ May 25th This day commences with a gale from the west. Ship running off N E by N. under double reefed fore and main topsails for a sail and jib. Now we are out of bad weather or in the category where good weather is expected. If my notion of a sea-sailing life continues as at present I think this will be my last trip. O the devil what is the use of kneeing salt water what little time allotted to a poor mortal in this unsocial world. We beat the bloody hell's the hook as long as we are afloat. As John Bull says

Lat by obs 36 53
Long Chron 38 46

Sunday May 26th Commences with strong gale from the Westward. Ship well blowing along to the N E. Second Mate off duty sick.

Lat by obs 34 41

Monday May 27th commences with good weather. Ship steering N N E. with all sail out. The watch watch employed in setting the sail and various little jobs about ship including beneting the old flying jib.

Lat by obs 32 24
Long Chron 35 54

Tuesday May 28th This day commences with fine weather. Ship before the wind heading N N E. under all sail. The watch employed in repairing sails and beneting about over. Carpenter employed in repairing the above work.

Lat by obs 30 08

Wednesday May 29th commences with the S E trade winds. Ship steering N E by N. with all sail out. The watch employed in stitching old sails.

Lat by obs 27 59

Thursday May 30th This day commences with strong breeze from S E. Ship steering N E by N. with main top gallant sail out. The watch employed in turning up the top mast & back stays.

Lat by obs 34 55
Long Chron 31 46

Long Chron obs 33 00

Friday May the last commences with light S E trades. Ship steering N E by E. Lat by obs 22 41
Long Chron 30 49
Long Chron obs 32 25

Off Brazil's S America

Saturday June 1st This twenty four hours
 fine weather, wind from S.S.W. ship at
 leaving 10.15 with main top gallant sail
 out. The watch employed in various jobs about
 ship, let him exercise
 Sat Chron 20.48
 Long Chron 29 23 48
 Long Luner obs. 31.06

Sunday June 2nd Commences with
 fine weather wind from S.E. ship steering N.E.
 under full sail. The crew knocking about deck some ree-
 ding some washing and breaking up their old clothes in
 prospect of home where they will not be needed.
 The idea of getting home has a curious affect upon
 some people. It appears that they imagine something
 similar to a place which is often spoken of in the
 good Book as the resting place of the just. But I
 am thinking there will be yet something to do. But perhaps
 not quite so disagreeable as reefing topsails off Cape Horn
 and perhaps they will not be under the necessity of
 going and coming without the dictates of a willing mind

Latitude by observation 18.50

Longitude by an observation of the Sun and moon 29.52

Latitude by Double altitudes 18.48

Monday June 3rd This day commences with a head
 wind ship on the starboard tack untill
 2 PM when we tacked to the eastward
 Sat Obs 17.18
 Long Chron 28.25
 Long Luner obs 27.46

Tuesday June 4th This day commences and en-
 ds with light head winds ship working
 to the eastward with all sail out
 The watch employed in the evening two
 sail in sight
 Sat Obs 17.06
 Long Chron 28.10

Wednesday June 5th Commences with calm weather
 and ends the same. Sent up royal yards and
 bent sails at the fore and main two sail
 in est. I wish this was up but it
 is rather a hard task at present
 here in this latitude but no age was beca-
 used for a long time and I think there is
 a probability of another sea this time
 Sat Obs 16.51

Lunar Observation Taken

| Chron Time | Sun's alt | Moon's alt | Distance |
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Reduced time 23 14

Reduced time may be calculated in this way. If the time of observation is A.M. add 12 to the same. and take the day of the month one less then sea account. But if it be P.M. we simply note the given time per watch to which add or sub the ships Long in time and if the sum exceeds 24 subtract 24 and add one to the day of the month.

Moons Semidiameter & Horizontal Parallax

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Longitude by chronometer

Time per watch

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Latitude by Observation

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| True altitude | 83 | 31 |
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| Latitude | 16 | 51 |

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| Observed altitude | 83 20 |
| Declination add | 23 20 |
| | 106 40 |
| Subtract | 89 49 |
| Latitude | 16 51 |

June 6th Ship Nimrod

Thursday June 6th This twenty
four hours commences with calm
weather. Latter part light variable
winds shift some times heaving her
cours and sometimes swinging around
in defiance of rudder or sails
No observation

Friday June 7th This day commences with fine weather
ship steering N. E. with wind from
the Eastward. The water employed in
sailing shifting sails. The nearer we get
towards home the more sail we want
Lat 48 14 48
Long 129 30

Saturday June 8th Commences with fine weather
ship steering N. E. with all sail out. This morning
saw a vessel directly ahead fifteen miles distant.
Two o'clock P.M. came up to her. It proved to
be a French brig bound to France. She was crowded
with convicts. Shaking sails aloft and a loft
This will give an idea of the sailing qualities
of the far renowned vessel the "Hector". Who after
a four years voyage with rough bottom the copper
having been in contact with ice. Several
other circumstances tending to hold her back
with all the above mentioned obstacles she
overhauled and passed a fine looking French
craft and within the space of twelve hours
brought her to bear in our wake and as
far off as when she was first discovered
Lat 48 12 33

Sunday June 9th Commences with light winds
from E. S. E. ship steering N. E. with all
sail out. This morning myself and Capt. H.
had a few unpleasant words to pass between
us. The consequence of which has been a dead
silence through the day which has given
me an opportunity of having a fine time
of reflecting. Which other wise my time would
have been bothered by his eternal goss pipe
Lat 48 10 51

Monday June 10th Commences with fine weather and
a nice breeze from S. E. ship steering N. E.
half N. with all sail set Capt. H. feels
some what better this morning I think if
nothing worse happens he will live until
the old pie box is at anchor in that hell
hole called N. B. and should right ly be call-
ed the modern Svalbard
Lat 48 8 44
Long 128 00

Off Brazil

Tuesday June 11th This twenty four hours commences with fine weather as usual and ends with very unpleasant weather as is usual. The watch employed in washing out the between decks situated between the fore and main hatch
Lat 6 46
Long Chron 28 35

Wednesday June 12th Commences with strong winds from the eastward, also squalls of rain. The ship steering N. by E. until noon when she was run off to W. by N. until night at which time she was brought to the wind with her main yard aback on the starboard tack
Lat 4 04

Thursday June 13th commences with light weather with frequent squalls of rain. Ship steering W. by N. until noon when she was hauled up to N. by E. and under all sail. The watch employed in serious jobs such as rattling chain mending sails mending mats and repairing up the old deck sheathing
Lat 3 28
Long Chron 29 46

Friday June 14th This day commences and ends with a fine breeze from S. by E. ship steering N. by E. half E.
Lat 2 06
Long Chron 31 12

Saturday June 15th Commences with fine weather. Ship steering N. by E. half E. Mitchell and latter part rains. Several boats for black fish. The Onco succeeded in taking one
Lat 1 16

Sunday June 16th Begins with a steady breeze from S. by E. ship steering N. by E. half E. under all sail and
Lat 00 38
Long Chron 34 52
Long Chron 34 58

Monday June 17th Commences with light breeze from S. by E. ship steering N. by E. half E. The watch employed in turning the rigging
Lat 2 06

June Ship Nimrod

Tuesday June 18th This day fine weather
Ship steering N by E 1/2 S under all
sail. The watch employed in taking
the rigging. Lat by obs 4.04
Long Chron 56 56
Long by an obs of the Moon and
Jupiter 57 06

Wednesday June 19th Commences with
light breeze from the Eastward.
Ship steering N by E 1/2 S with
all sail out. The watch employed
in ship's work. This morning two men
come on the deck at noon blind &
suppose they have never slept on
deck. which is universal the
case. So much so that even if
they are caught in the act they will
swear pine-blame that it was
something they were never guilty of
Lat by obs 5 50

Thursday June 20th Commences with light
variable winds. a short time of some
thing in the track of the N E trade
winds in this latitude. Lat by obs 6.46
Long Chron 58 17

Friday June 21st Commences with heavy
showers of rain. Middle part calm and
ends with a light breeze from N E
Ship steering N by E 1/2 S. The
watch employed in washing the out
side of the ship. I am so near home
that I am almost good mine to stop this
journal. But I must keep the run of the
wind and weather. Lat by obs 7 26

Saturday June 22nd This day brings in the
N E trade winds. Ship steering N by E
with top sail and sails out. The ship
also finishes the rigging. Lat by obs 8 43
Long Chron 50 26

Sunday June 23rd Commences and ends
with strong N E trade winds. Ship stee-
ring N by E 1/2 S. Lat by obs 10.39
Long Chron 42 46

Off the West Indies

Monday June 24th This day to four hours commences and ends with the wind rather moderate ship steering N. by E. half N. with all sail out. The watch employed in washing ship, the rest the oil but jobs 12.00
Long Chron 44.48

Tuesday June 25th Commences with variable winds and rain ship working to the N. by E. half N. The watch employed in painting the houses.
No correct obs

Wednesday June 26th Commences with strong S. by E. trade winds ship steering N. by E. half N. with whole top sails and jib. The watch employed in painting ship but jobs 14.29
Long Chron 49.30

Thursday or bluff day 27th Commences with strong winds from N. by E. ship steering N. by E. with whole top sails and jib. The watch employed in various jobs about ship. Also over hauled the books galley and found a tub of felly meat and other nitchy articles for which he was fastened to the mizen rigging and had some of his hide peeled down.
But jobs 15.52
Long Chron 51.30

Friday June 28th Commences and ends with strong trade winds ship steering N. by E. half N. under top sails and courses. This day also commenced with a small fit of a row. Our second mate thought he would show his authority but he was soon satisfied that he could not come to time. As we near home the people seem to imagine that restraint is going out of practice but as long as there is three shoes on one foot the whole Island horse will continue to prance. Hoping at the same time there will be no occasion for force.
But jobs 17.54
Long Chron 53.45

Ship Journal

Saturday June 29th This twenty four hours
 commences and ends with moderate
 trade winds ship steering N.W. by
 under light sail she catches with
 employed in hampshire &c. Spoke a
 French brig from St. Thomas bound to Europe
 I have been thinking about going through that
 part of the world and I am almost in
 clined to leave this blubber hunter and
 take passage to France. But home is too
 near for me to change my course at pres-
 ent. I am so sick of this whaling
 where there is no whales that I believe
 I shall make an attempt to earn my
 bread upon fairer time and I can say
 it that I shall never enter upon an-
 other whaling voyage but at the same
 time future will tell another story perhaps.
 Ten years ago I was told that 1872 would
 finish my sea-faring life. But I never
 believed it could be possible for me
 to continue in the business half as long
 I have allocated. So I am, and here
 I have been year after on my last cruise.

And even I have
 the same clerical
 inclination at pres-
 ent and I wish
 him I fortune
 for bid that
 another long
 voyage shall
 be forced be-
 fore me. I am
 weary of a
 sea life there
 more I regret
 of choosing it
 for my vocation

But as you make your best so on you must
 lie. I suppose there is a few people in
 this business which have a few sympathetic
 feelings - beat up in some corner place
 of the heart. And when the muses are
 hovering around to speak of some event
 of early life he forgets that he is a rough
 merrier man for a moment his soul is light
 set up with all those more social sentiments
 inherited from more happy days. But it
 is momentary. And a view at our true position
 drives the phantom away. And we turn to our
 stern stubborn ways. neither give an inch
 nor take a frown. But go here come there
 without hesitation. O what a life to live

Sat 4 obs 19 49

Long chron 55.30 Greenwich

From the French brig Long chron 57 10 Paris

Gulf Stream Or from
The Port of the West India to The Strait Stream
Sunday June 30th Commences with moderate breeze
from N.E. Ship steering N.W. with main
mainsail & galleon sail up

Lat Obs 21 47
Long Chron 54 20
Long Gunner 56 58

Monday July 1st Commences with moder-
ate breeze from N.E. Ship steering
N.W. by E. Middle part steering
N. half W. under all sail. Saw
an English steamer steering to the
Eastward. The watch employed in painting
Ship. The Ocean is covered with gulf
weed. small brigs & schooners and steam
ships passing too small for every thing looks
like noise. What a busy world this
is

Lat Obs 23 26
Long Chron 59 09

Tuesday July 2nd This twenty four hours commences with
light breeze from S.E. Ship steering
N.W. by E. Middle part steering
N.W. The watch employed in
painting the boats

Lat Obs 25 17
Long Chron 60 40

Wednesday July 3rd This day commences with
breeze from E.S.E. Ship steering W.
N.W. under all sail. Saw a schooner
steering to the South. Lowered my boat
and cut her off. proved to be the
Jackson of Baltimore. I succeeded in
getting some late papers, from which
I learn of the trouble now existing in
the U.S.A. It happens that I am in
good season to enjoy the excitement
No observation

Thursday July 4th This the anniversary of Amer-
ican independence commences with
fine weather and only the main
ship steering N.W. by W. under all
sail. The watch employed in repairing
sails

Lat Obs 27 00
Long Chron 65 30

Friday July 5th This day fine light breeze from N.W.
Ship steering N.W. by W. half East. The
watch employed in repairing sails

Lat Obs 29 06
Long Chron 60 25

Ship's Journal

Saturday July 6th This twenty four hours commences and ends with light breeze from the eastward ship steering N. by W. half W. Capt. Howes and myself have been having a thorough row. But we are both alive up to the present moment. But our friendship is forever broken. This is something which had been breeding for the last month and at this late hour it has burst forth but no power in the hands of mortals will change my straight forward eyes.
Lat 45 30 46
Long 67 18

Sunday July 7th Commences with light variable wind ship's head lying to the starboard.
Lat 46 35
Long 68 13

Monday July 8th This twenty four hours commences and ends with a westerly wind ship steering N. by W. with three sails set. The watch employed in repairing sails. Also set the oil. Capt. Howes is very much cast down in consequence of the trouble which occurred between him and myself. Trained deck snuffling and saying that I do would not induce him to react and trouble with myself. I also regret that we could not have continued upon better terms. But damn him there can not be two mates no more than two cats.
Lat 48 12
Long 68 46

Tuesday July 9th This twenty four hours commences with strong breeze from the westward ship steering N. by W. all sail. The watch employed in ship's stuff.
Lat 55 03
Long 68 17

Wednesday July 10th Commences with strong breeze from the westward ship steering N. by W. all sail.
Lat 57 58
Long " " " 70 41

Thursday July 11th This day light weather ship steering N. by W. half W. under all sail and to port at bottom in 43 fathoms of water. After which we come to an anchor. Wind from W. S. W.
Lat 59 29
Long 71 33

Return home to New Bedford. 1861

Friday July 12th This twenty four hours commences with light breeze from N.W. Ship heading N.N.E. after lying to through the night. 12 o'clock raised the land. I boarded a schooner on it obtained what information I could. Saw several black pirates but none from our way. Not being able to get a pilot as came to on the starboard at the close of the day. Lat 40 31

Saturday July 13th This morning Block Island in sight Ship worked up to the said Island. 11 o'clock took a pilot on board steered in on the starboard tack heading N.E. & E. Smeadown Ship off Cuttyhunk

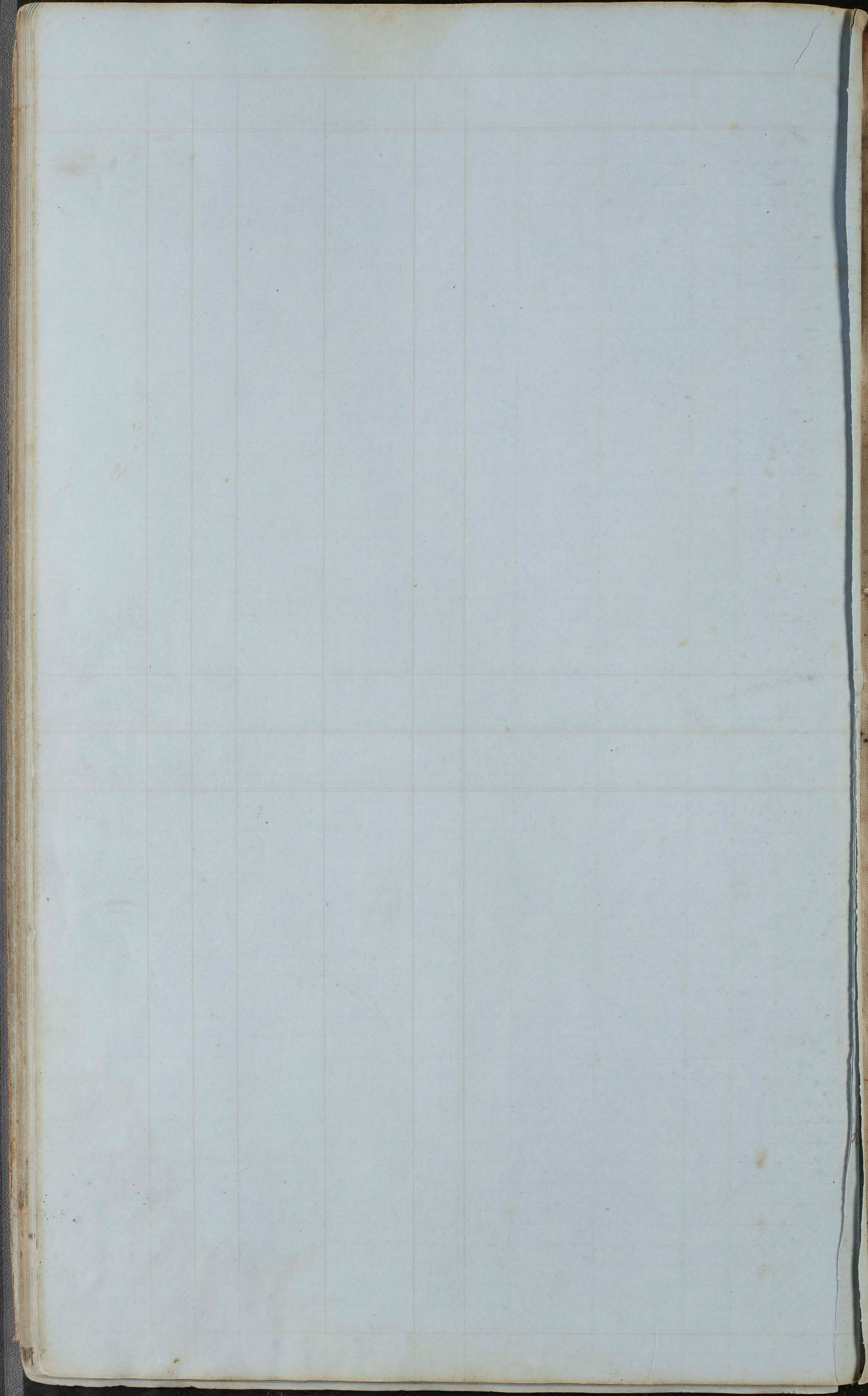
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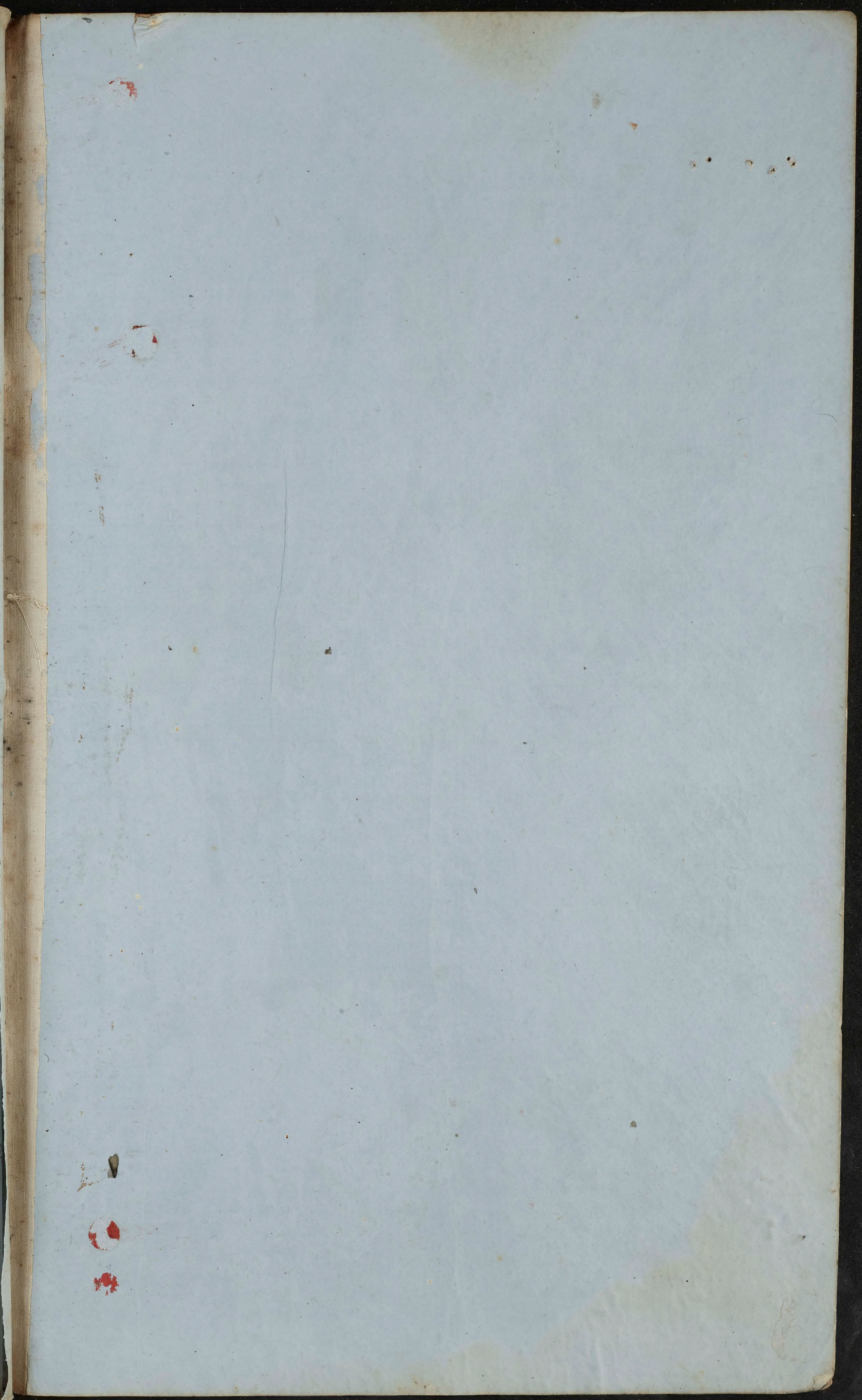
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